



DR. MOGAVERO

INBRACE... ARE YOU [IN]?

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From Mammoth to Orange County, Dr. Frank Mogavero sets the standard in state-of-the-art orthodontics

Is it time for a trip to the orthodontist? Dr. Frank Mogavero offers everything from early childhood treatment to new invisible braces technology for adults.

Orthodontic work may fill you with dread, but Dr. Mogavero's office will make you want to shred...on the slopes that is. His extreme sports-themed San Clemente office transports you to the slopes of Mammoth Mountain with authentic ski lift chairs, alpine murals and autographs from some of today's hottest snow and skateboard athletes.

With a Mammoth office that he shares with a local dentist, he's able to see area patients twice a month. Since the mountain is open until August this year, he'll be snowboarding this summer, too. His favorite run? Up per Dry Creek.

Dr. Mogavero (pronounced Mo-GAH-ver-oh) can talk sports with his patients and knows many local athletes (six members of the 2020 U.S. Olympic skateboarding team are former patients), but what sets him apart is his determination to solve patients' orthodontic problems. Last year, he was one of the first Orthodontists to offer InBrace, a brilliant new form of braces that are positioned behind teeth for a truly invisible treatment for teens and adults.

Today, his office is one of the largest InBrace practices in the country. "People are beginning to hear about InBrace and are asking for it," says Dr. Mogavero.

The Irvine-based InBrace system is revolutionary, not only for its hidden "smartwires," but because procedures that pre-

viously took two years, have now been reduced to just seven to eight months. Dr. Mogavero says InBrace can be used on anyone with all of their permanent teeth and that he's placed it on patients between the ages of 14 - 78. They've all been thrilled with the results, as well as the unexpected ease of treatment.

Orange County mom Kristi Milius says she feels amazing and the treatment itself was a breeze. "It comes down to being a time saver. I have three kids and this was fast! I love it!"

Everyday use is easy, too, which is important for adults who travel for a living. Additionally, InBrace won't get lost or left behind at a restaurant since it's not necessary to remove it when eating like tray aligners. "There's nothing to take out," Dr. Mogavero says, unlike plastic, invisible aligner products, which must be removed before a meal. "Nothing has to be placed on a table when you're out to dinner. In my 29 years of practice, this is the greatest innovation I've seen in my career."

New advances in orthodontic technology, like InBrace, have meant an increase in adult patients for many orthodontists. Dr. Mogavero says the bulk of his patients are children, but about 30 percent of them are adults. Some older patients declined to have braces put on as teens and others have experienced shifts that required later-in-life dental work.

"I'm glad I waited," says retired Boeing 777 pilot Gary Pacheco, "I would give it 10 stars! I'm glad I waited 50 years for the technology." Pacheco says it took about a month to get used to having InBrace behind his teeth, but he's happy he did it. The treatment is one thing, he says, but Dr. Mogavero's accommodating and efficient staff really made the difference for him. "Everyone you meet is just outstanding," he says.

While new technology is great news for adults who have waited to improve their smiles, Dr. Mogavero says that the American Association of Orthodontists recommends children have their first orthodontic visit by age 7 at the latest, and earlier if orthodontic problems are suspected. Some breathing disorders, like snoring, in young children can be alleviated with orthodontic work.

No matter your age, Dr. Mogavero's decades of experience and cutting-edge technology means a healthy smile could be in your future. Call for a consultation today.

"I admit it took about four weeks to get used to. Then I had no lisp. It disappeared. My friends and family forgot I even had braces on! I'm glad I waited to get InBrace."

— Tyler Lefever



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