# Meet Oliver Favalli, DMD

Dr. Oliver Favalli a native of Hamilton, Bermuda. Attended Wake Forest University (Winston Salem, NC) earning his Bachelors degree in Biology. He received his Doctorate in Dental Medicine from the University of Florida in 1994. He completed a Pediatric Dentistry Specialty program at Baylor University (Dallas, TX) and then furthered his education in a specialty program in Orthodontics at the University of Toronto. He and his wife Monica, an Orthodontist from Colombian School of Medicine (Columbia) began their private practice in Fort Myers in 2001.

Dr. Favalli is active in Orthodontic study groups and attends continuing education regularly on the latest in Pediatric and Orthodontic Dentistry. Professional Affiliations include the American Association of Orthodontics, American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, American Dental Association, and Lee County Dental Society of Fort Myers.



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# Why a Pediatric Dentist?

Has your child ever begged you not to leave the dentist? Impossible you say? Not at our office. It could be our gentle touch and our special way with kids. It could be the lobby filled with games and movies! Or maybe it's the treasure tower full of goodies at the end of a fun dental visit!

Dr. Oliver Favalli and his team love children and are specially trained to put them at ease. We teach your children the proper way to take care of their teeth and they learn that going to the dentist can be a fun and rewarding experience. Good oral health can be maintained through routine preventative visits and taking care of dental work soon after it is diagnosed and treatment planned.

#### **Our Services Include:**

- Well-visits starting at age 6-12 months old
- Comprehensive Exams
- Gentle Cleanings
- Fluoride Treatments
- Protective Sealants
- Oral Hygiene & Dietary Counseling
- Emergency Visits for Dental Trauma
- Extractions
- Space Maintainers
- Interceptive Orthodontics (more info below)
- Baby Tooth Root Canals (Pulpotomy)
- Restorative Dentistry (Crowns and Tooth-Colored Fillings)
- Sedation

After a thorough evaluation of your child's age, weight, behavior, medical conditions, prior experiences and dental treatment plan, Dr. Oliver Favalli can offer one of the following methods of sedation to ensure that your child's experience is not painful or traumatic.

- Nitrous Oxide (Laughing Gas)
- Oral Sedation (Sleepy Juice)
- Deep IV Sedation (In-office)
- Deep IV Sedation (Hospital)

A visit to the dentist does not have to be stressful for children or parents. For your convenience, we are In-Network with many major insurance plans. Please call us with all your insurance information and our billing staff will verify your benefits in advance. This will ensure a smooth visit to the dentist where you can focus on your little one. Private pay clients will receive a courtesy discount and are welcome to use cash, credit or debit cards. We also gladly accept Care Credit.



The American Association of Orthodontists recommends that children first see an orthodontist at age 7, or even earlier if the parent or family dentist discovers a problem. This is the time when the first permanent teeth are growing in and the child's jaw development can be assessed. The timing of orthodontic treatment is extremely important and greatly affects the end result.

Since no two patients are alike, there is not one specific age that is best to begin treatment for everyone. We evaluate all our patients at their routine pediatric visits by examining their teeth and jaws. Braces and other orthodontic appliances for kids can make a huge positive impact in certain cases. A beautiful smile and good dental health make a difference in your child's well-being and self-confidence.

# **Early Evaluation Can Lead To:**

- Creating room for crowded, erupting teeth (allows good bone and gum support and easier access for brushing and flossing)
- Creating facial symmetry by influencing jaw growth
- Preventing jaw shifting and related bite problems (TMD)
- Reducing the risk of trauma to protruding front teeth
- Preserving space for teeth that have not grown in
- Reducing the need for tooth removal
- Reducing treatment time with braces

## **Orthodontic Services:**

## **Preventative (Oral Habit Appliances & Counseling)**

- Thumb Guards (Thumb sucking)
- Night Guards (Grinding, TMJ, etc.)
- Tongue Crib (Tongue thrust)

### Phase I (Interceptive Orthodontics Age 6-10)

- RPE (Rapid Palatal Expander)
- Partial Orthodontics
- Space Maintainers

### Phase II (Pre-Teens, Teens & Adults)

- Traditional braces
- Damon System
- Invisalign
- Simpli 5

### **Retention (After orthodontic treatment)**

- Clear Retainers (Removable plastic tray)
- Traditional Hawley (removable metal & acrylic)
- Hidden Permanent Retainer (metal bonded to teeth)





<sup>\*</sup>In house financing with 0% interest for orthodontic treatments.