## What do you need to know about Orthognathic Surgery

- Orthognathic surgery is one of the relatively new types of maxillofacial surgery.
- ➤ It simply means surgical correction of skeletally related facial deformities causing unusual occlusion of teeth. In other terms surgery is indicated when the malocclusion of teeth can't be corrected by orthodontic treatment <u>ONLY</u>.
- ➤ Patients suffering from this type of malocclusion of teeth will need a joint therapy by their orthodontist, maxillofacial surgeon, and even speech therapist in some cases.
- ➤ The treatment plan will include orthodontic therapy first followed surgery to one jaw or the two jaws in some cases and final orthodontic treatment in some selected case.
- ➤ Both the patient and the treating team can see and approve the postsurgery result through presurgical model surgery and new imaging programs.
- The surgical treatment is done under general anesthesia, and currently will not require locking the patient's mouth due the use fixation plates and the patient can start having soft diet immediate after surgery.
- ➤ Excellent results of surgery are granted with properly planned and treated cases.