

### TEMPORARY CROWNS OR BRIDGES (FIXED PROSTHESES)

You have just received a plastic restoration that will serve you for a short period of time. A few comments about this temporary restoration will be helpful for you.

#### **Flossing:**

Please floss with care. Floss down as normal however, pull out through the sides.

#### **Chewing:**

- a. The temporary cement requires about one-half hour to set. Please do not chew during the period of time.
- b. Temporary restorations are not strong. They may break or come off occasionally. If so, please call us and we will replace them. If you are not where you can contact us, go to a pharmacy and get some Fixodent. Replace the temporary on your tooth with some Fixodent holding it in place. This denture adhesive will retain the temporary restoration until you can see us. **Please do not leave the temporary restoration out of your mouth because the teeth will move and the final restoration will not fit.**
- c. Avoid certain foods, anything sticky or hard. Example: popcorn (especially the kernels), nuts, gum, taffy, caramel etc.

#### **Color:**

The color of the plastic temporary does not resemble the final restoration in any way.

#### **Shape and Size:**

The shape and size of the plastic temporary does not resemble the final restoration in any way.

#### **Tooth Sensitivity:**

Temporary restorations may leak saliva or food into the tooth. Sensitivity to cold, hot or anything sweet is not uncommon. This sensitivity will not be the case with your later restorations.