

## Robstown Dentistry

### POST OPERATIVE CARE AND INFORMATION FOLLOWING CROWN/BRIDGE PREPARATION

- Following the first appointment for a crown or bridge procedure, a provisional temporary is usually placed on the tooth or teeth involved. This will protect them while the custom restoration is being made.
- Provisional temporary crowns can be shaded to match your tooth or show you what your new color will be. The provisional temporary acts as a template for your new crown or bridge. If your goal was to change the size or shape of your teeth, the temporary allows you to see what you will look like before the final custom restoration is made.
- The use of temporary cement is for easy removal on your next appointment. If your temporary comes off between appointments, slip it back on and call us for an appointment as soon as possible. Don't delay in coming to re-cement temporary crown.
- Many Crowns fit below the gum-line. Therefore, you may experience some discomfort for a few days due to the irritation of that area during the procedures. Sensitivity to cold or pressure is also possible.
- After the anesthetic wears off, it may take a few days to get used to the provisional temporary crown or bridge. If you feel the bite is not correctly balanced, be sure to call our office for a simple adjustment.
- We recommend professional maintenance and evaluation at least two times a year. If you have had a periodontal (gum disease) problem in the past we recommend 3-4 times a year.
- Proper care includes BRUSHING, FLOSSING and RINSING WITH WARM SALT WATER a minimum of twice daily. Proper maintenance will not only prolong the life of the restoration but will also help to prevent problems elsewhere in your mouth.

CONGRADULATIONS! You are on your way to receiving the most advance, state-of-the art cosmetic crown or bridge available today. We are pleased that you are as committed to high quality dentistry as we are and it is our privilege to provide this service for you. Please call us if you have any questions. At Christi Dental Center we care about you and want you to be as comfortable as possible.

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