



## Care of your Temporary Crown:

There are a couple of additional facts you should know about regarding the care of your temporary crown(s):

- Home care is extremely important while your temporary crown(s) or temporary bridge is in place. *The health of your gum tissue and the success of your final treatment restoration depend upon it.*

PLEASE do not be afraid to clean your teeth between visits. With a minimal amount of home care, you should be able to maintain the continued health of your teeth and gum tissue during the time required to fabricate your new crown.



- Sometimes, even with meticulous care, temporary crowns or bridges may become loose between visits. If this should occur, please place the temporary crown or bridge back on your tooth immediately. Putting a drop of Vaseline™ in the temporary crown or bridge will very often increase the retention and hold the temporary in place until you can schedule an appointment. Once again, **REPLACING THE TEMPORARY CROWN IMMEDIATELY IS VERY IMPORTANT!** It only takes a short time for teeth to move if the temporary is not put back into its proper position. This could affect the final restoration significantly and may necessitate new impressions and a great deal of time. If you can not replace the temporary crown yourself, put it in a safe place and call the office. We will be happy to recement it for you at the earliest possible moment.
- At your next visit (in *the case of a bridge, additional visits are necessary*) we will most probably place your final crown. At that time we will check your crown for accuracy, adjust for any bite discrepancies and evaluate the esthetics.

We hope that this brief instruction sheet will answer most of your questions regarding today's visit. Following these simple guidelines will help us provide you with the finest in dental care. If you have any questions regarding this or any other procedure, please do not hesitate to call. Our goal is to make your dental experience as comfortable and rewarding as possible.