

**POST-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTION FOR
TEMPORARY CROWNS OR BRIDGES**

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 to you.

FLOSSING: Please do not floss the temporary as it may loosen or break.

CHEWING:

- a.) The temporary cement requires about one-half hour to set. Please do not chew during that period of time.
- b.) Temporary restorations are not strong. They may break or come off occasionally. If so, 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 a small amount of FIXODENT to hold it in place. This denture adhesive will retain the temporary restoration, until you can see us.
- c.) Certain foods will stick to the temporary restoration. This will not happen when the porcelain or gold permanent restoration is placed.

****Please do not leave the temporary out of your mouth,
because the teeth will move and the final restoration will not fit.**

COLOR:

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

SHAPE & SIZE:

The shape and the size of the temporary will closely approximate your natural tooth. Posterior temporaries may feel larger to the tongue and tend to collect food due to the nature of the plastic material.

TOOTH SENSITIVITY:

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

Dr. James & Dr. Robert are available 24 hours through the office phone number,
847-864-8151.

If you feel you are experiencing an emergency, please do not hesitate to call our office and obtain a number to reach your doctor. It is our pleasure to be here for you.