

INFORMED CONSENT FOR IMMEDIATE DENTURES

A set of new dentures can add new dimension to your face and your smile. It is exciting to think of having a new smile. There are also concerns that go along with this. Our dental team would like to provide you with the confidence of a new smile.

Our first concern is that if you are having an immediate denture placed it may take several visits to adjust the denture to where it is comfortable and yet functional. This is perfectly normal, although it may be discouraging at times. It is important that you listen to all instructions given at the time of insertion, and ask all questions. It would be a good idea for you to write your questions down on paper and bring it with you at the time of your visits.

Also speech may be affected while you are learning to effectively use your new set of dentures. It is often beneficial to practice reading out loud, or singing with your stereo. This allows your muscles in your cheeks and tongue to adjust better, making articulation much easier for you.

Also that placing an immediate denture provides instant satisfaction but may not be the best way of going about this business. Impressions are taken while you still have teeth and bone supporting those teeth. When we extract these teeth the bone needs to grow into the sockets where the teeth were. This changes structure of your bone. What all this means is that with an immediate denture you will probably need to have several tissue conditioners placed, and eventually have a laboratory reline done on your new dentures to hold their retention. In worst case scenario, new dentures may need to be made because of structural changes. Each additional procedure incurs additional cost, as dentistry is billed by procedure and not by time taken to complete.

Please contact our dental office with any questions or concerns you may have.

Patient's Name

Signature (parent if patient is under the age of 18)

Date

Print Name (parent if patient is under the age of 18)

Staff Initials