

## Provisional (temporary) crown post op instructions

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to care for your dental needs. Now that this phase of your treatment is complete, there are a few important things you should know:

- 1- You may still be numb. Be careful while eating or drinking hot liquids until feeling returns. Avoid the temptation to “check” or “test” the numb areas with your teeth. You could injure yourself without being aware.
- 2- Your tooth has been reshaped to accept the eventual permanent crown (or bridge). It may be sensitive to extremes in temperature for several days. Treat it kindly by avoiding anything that causes discomfort.
- 3- Maintain good homecare! Do NOT avoid proper brushing and flossing. If specific instructions have been given, follow them carefully since they will improve the success of the remaining steps in the procedure.
- 4- It is necessary that your temporary restoration remain in place until your next visit. It is holding the prepared tooth (teeth) in position. Call the office immediately if it dislodges. You can avoid problems by:
  - a. Avoiding sticky and hard foods, especially gum, candy, ice, nuts, etc.
  - b. Do not snap the floss out from in between the teeth while flossing, rather, pull it through gently.
- 5- If you have any questions do not hesitate to call the office (401-944-8100). Our staff will be happy to assist you.