



## **INFORMATION FOLLOWING CROWN OR BRIDGE TREATMENT**

After your first appointment for crown and bridge treatment, a temporary crown is usually placed on the tooth or teeth involved. The temporary crown protects while the custom crown is being made.

Temporary crowns are of universal size and shade that also serve a cosmetic function for front teeth. Your final restoration will be shaped and shaded better than the temporary to match your other teeth in both color and function.

Temporary cement is used so that the crown can be easily removed at your next appointment. If your temporary crown comes off before your next appointment, slip it back on your tooth and call our office for an appointment.

With your temporary crown and with your permanent crown you may experience some discomfort due to the irritation of the area during the treatment procedures. You may also notice sensitivity to cold and pressure.

After the final cementation of your fixed restoration it may take a few days to get used to the new crown or bridge. If you feel the bite is not correctly balanced, please call for an appointment and for a simple adjustment.

Proper brushing and flossing is recommended to help you retain your final restoration. The only area that a crowned tooth can decay is at the edge of the crown at the gumline. It is especially important to keep the edge of the crown clean at the gumline.