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Family Dentistry

**POST OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS
FOR
CROWN AND BRIDGE PATIENTS**

Dear Patient,

Your comfort is of paramount importance to us. Most crown preparations cause mild discomfort for a day or two. Sometimes you may experience some discomfort until the permanent crown is placed.

Please avoid eating on the temporary, and minimize the use of the tooth until the permanent restoration is placed. Flossing is not indicated because it dislodges the temporary crown; however, thorough but gentle brushing is very important. (The health of the gum tissue must be maintained) Vigorous warm salt water rinses several times a day will help relieve soreness in the gums.

Occasionally a temporary crown will come off. If this happens, it generally causes only minor sensitivity. Usually, vaseline placed inside the temporary will serve to retain the temporary crown until you come in to have it recemented.

Sincerely,

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