

FULL DENTURES HOME CARE INSTRUCTIONS

CLEANING DENTURES

- Dentures can break, so place a wash cloth in your sink or fill the sink with water, and then clean your denture over the sink, just in case they slip out of your hands by accident.
- Rinse denture thoroughly with warm or cool water to remove all loose food particles.
- Use the denture brush provided or a soft bristle brush.
- Do not use bleach or harsh detergents.
- Brush all surfaces thoroughly.
- Rinse dentures well under running water.
- Remove dentures and soak overnight while you sleep.
- Brush your gums, tongue, and palate with a soft toothbrush.
- Never wrap your denture in tissue, as you might forget and toss out the denture.
- Always store your dentures in a moist environment in the denture tub provided.
- 1) Visits for **regular checkups** of the soft tissue of the mouth and gums are needed routinely. At this time, we will check the fit of the dentures and clean them as well.
- 2) Learning to wear a new denture can take time. Don't become discouraged if you experience difficulty in the beginning. Your dentist will help you through any difficulties during your adjustment period.
- 3) A lower denture usually takes more time to adjust to than an upper denture. The tongue may feel restricted and will tend to play with the prosthesis.
- 4) It is natural to experience a "full mouth" feeling. Expect to have excessive saliva flow the first couple of days.
- 5) **Reading or singing out loud** will help in reducing any minor speech problems, which sometimes result with wearing a new denture.

- 6) **Eat soft foods for the first couple of days.** It is normal to experience some discomfort associated with sore spots during the adjustment period.
- 7) **If sore spots develop**, call the office to schedule an appointment for an adjustment of the denture.
- 8) **Never try to adjust the dentures yourself.** If your dentures are damaged, you will be responsible for the repair fees and/or fees for a new set of dentures

Please reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for trusting us with your dental care! You made a great decision.