



Important Information for Immediate Denture/Interim Denture Patients

Please read the following information thoroughly. We have tried to review all the commonly asked questions in an effort to make this process as comfortable as possible for you. Your health and well-being is our greatest goal; please share any concerns you may have.

Immediately after your extractions, we will place denture adhesive (like Fixodent paste) on the tissue side of your denture and place it in your mouth. Your denture may feel very loose initially. We know that every patient is different, but most patients experience some swelling of the gum tissues depending upon the number and condition of the teeth being extracted. This swelling typically peaks between 3 to 5 days.

We make your denture loose enough to fit you at your most swollen point. We may use sutures to help your body heal faster. It is important to avoid your sutures when placing denture adhesive inside your denture. Place the adhesive only on the denture's palate, or roof of the mouth. We recommend you use a paste and not a powder initially, as it is easier to control.

1st Post-op Visit:

We will see you at your scheduled appointment 24 hours after your surgery. Leave your denture in place until this appointment when we will assist you in removing it.

2nd Post-op Visit:

We will see you again in 7 to 10 days, or as soon as your sutures are removed. At this time we will place a soft material in your denture (called a soft liner) that will make you much more comfortable and will make your denture fit much more comfortably. Your mouth will undergo changes, and as your body continues to heal, your denture will become loose again, despite the soft liner. The soft liner may be replaced more than once.

3rd Post-op Visit:

At 8 weeks from the date of your surgery, most patients are healed enough to begin the process of fabricating a definitive denture. At this time we make a new set of impressions.

After this appointment we will schedule wax try-in appointments. The amount of try-in appointments vary based upon your specific needs and how your body heals. Once you approve your wax replica of your denture, we will send it to be processed in our laboratory. It typically takes one week until it is returned and ready for you to receive.

PLEASE CALL OUR OFFICE (574) 259-8571 WITH ANY CONCERNS OR QUESTIONS