

# Denture

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## U DENTAL PATIENT INFO: EMPOWERING YOU TOO MAKE INFORMED DECISION

### DENTURE WARRANTY PERIOD

If you do not agree with the term and conditions of the limited warranty, kindly return this paper within **24 hours**, and we shall make a refund minus the models cost.

Our clinics committed to provide limited warranty period for 60 days after you get your denture.

If there is any problem, please come for review/correction within 60 days for free, for not more than 8 times. If not, this warranty will be considered expired. Review/correction of denture after warranty period can be charge for minimal cost.

(Limited warranty=within 60 days or correction not more than 8 times, whichever comes first).

Denture may need to be corrected more than once, so please come before the warranty period ends.

This warranty is provided to ensure the patient's confidence on the denture that is prescribed by the clinic is esthetically pleasant and functionally acceptable. This warranty does not apply to fracture/crack at the base or the artificial tooth. It also does not apply to careless action, either intentionally or unintentionally that causes the broken of the denture.

In case if you are not satisfied, after 8 times or correction (or 60 days), 50% discount (according to the price of present denture) will be given where additional treatment is chose.

Consider new denture with different design/material, or other way to replace the missing teeth, such as bridge and implant.

If you need the denture fast or before a specific date, please inform the doctor BEFORE the treatment begins. Doctor will need to discuss with the technician. If the situation allows, overtime payment or special delivery cost may be charged.

### **FOUR STAGES OF DENTURE CONSTRUCTION**

1a) Model making.

1b) Model making for second time/specially done (if there were no natural teeth at all)

2) Wax bite: to evaluate the relationship between upper and lower jaw. (if number of teeth left not allow the jaws to bite at a repeatable comfortable position).

3) Sample trying: Evaluate the look of the denture.

The teeth are artificial teeth for the final denture, but the red wax is not turned into the plastic yet, therefore the wax base will still be loose. The appearance, teeth arrangement(size, position of teeth), wide of the base will be evaluated and corrected in this stage.

4) Give/Get the plastic denture and fine tune the biting and reduce soreness on biting

5) Modification after getting the denture.

Stage two is not needed where there are enough natural teeth left that the biting can be repeated in a comfortable position.

Stage 3 will be done only when there are more than eight artificial teeth. If you are doing a denture that contains less than or equal to eight artificial teeth, but concern about the look of the front teeth, please **INFORM AND REQUEST** your dental doctor to perform the sample trying stage before making the plastic.

### **IMMEDIATE DENTURE**

If there is tooth that is needed to be extracted, where you are shy to go out from the house without denture. If there is old denture, artificial tooth can be added on the old denture. If there is no old denture, you can complete the new denture BEFORE the extraction is performed.

### **PAYMENT AND TERMINATION**

After making the model, half payment will be needed as deposit. The payment needs to be completed in the next visit or installments until the denture is ready. All payment should be paid on or before the STAGE 4

i.e. getting the dentures. The clinic will try to complete the denture during the estimated period. If there is any delay, this would not be a reason for termination of the treatment. However, patient can terminate the denture treatment at anytime, but the deposit will be deducted according to the stage of denture construction. After the model had been taken, 80% of the TOTAL COST of the denture is not refundable.

### **PROBLEM WHILE WEARING NEW DENTURE**

- Uncomfortable: difficulty for speech and eating
- This condition may continue for several days until you get used to the denture. Elderly and those who are not well experienced on wearing denture will find it more difficult to get used to the denture.
- Pain while biting.
- Ulcer/wound under or beside the denture.
- Denture is felt tight and the adjacent teeth feel painful a bit.
- Denture is loose, easily fall off while speaking or eating.
- The denture is too big, causing nausea and vomiting.
- Excessive salivation.
- Change of the facial look, especially for the front teeth denture.

Wearing new denture may not be easy, especially when you do not have any natural tooth left.

1. Learning is needed.

Rarely the denture can be inserted and immediately be worn comfortably. You need to learn to use and control it with tongue/muscle.

2. Over dependent on the old denture, difficult to accept the new denture.

There are two dentures that can be made completely alike. Try to wear the new denture, this is because that it is made according to your latest oral condition. If there is any problem, seek help from the doctor immediately.

3. Habit changing is needed.

For example, while eating apple, cut the apple into small piece first.

4. New denture may require several time of modification, the part that compress/cause pain to the gum need to be grinded away. Finally a soft layer may be needed at the under the denture.

### **DENTURE MAINTAINANCE**

Warning: do not wear denture while sleeping.

Denture can cause damages to the tooth/gum badly, especially at the margin where the denture contacts with the tooth or gum.

Denture and mouth can get smelly, but you may not notice it.

Therefore, place your denture into a container filled with water.

Do not soak into hot water or bleaching agent (such as chlorox). If you want to add any agent, use the one that is specifically made for the denture. You can also try the denture cleaning machine.

Keep the denture and your natural teeth clean.

Some of the denture contains wire/hook. These hooks normally do not scratch or damage the tooth. However, tooth that is hooked may decay when the dirt on the hook is not cleaned.

### **PROLONG THE DURABILITY OF YOUR DENTURE**

Clean it above a basin, not on the toilet. You may drop the denture on the floor or in the toilet bowl.

Do not keep it in your pocket as you may break it. Keep it in a box that can resist pressure.

Do not chew hard object.

Broken denture needs to be repair or remade.

Wearing pieces broken denture can endanger you health or life.

Try to make a second denture (spare/standby) if you are shy to walk out from home without denture.

Insert and remove the denture according to the direction shown by the doctor. Do not hold or twist the thin or easily deformed part (such as wire) of the denture.

If you have ever had drunken, epilepsy until unconscious or often vomit, fix denture (where it cannot be removed by you, such as bridge) would be more suitable for you.

### **HOW LONG SHOULD I REPLACE MY DENTURE?**

1. You need to change your denture every 3-5 years. The period is different from one to another.

2. Do not wear a denture for tens of year. The denture will become unfit as