

SIGNATURE DENTAL
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CROWNS/BRIDGES

You have just had some crowns or fixed bridges cemented onto your teeth. We have done our best to provide you with the finest quality restoration available today. They will replace your missing tooth structure or missing teeth very well, and should give you years of service. Please observe the following:

SENSITIVITY: Don't worry about mild sensitivity to hot or cold foods. This sensitivity will disappear gradually over the next few weeks. If the bite does not feel right or the tooth/teeth are very tender to chew on, please return to the office for an adjustment.

CHEWING: Do not chew hard foods on the restorations for 24 hours from the time of cementation--to attain optimum strength, the cement(glue) must mature/cure for approximately 24 hours.

MAINTENANCE: To provide optimum longevity for your restorations and to prevent future dental decay and supporting tissue breakdown, please brush your teeth and floss daily. *The most significant reason for prosthesis failure is inadequate return for examination.* Please have your mouth checked twice a year. Often problems that are developing around the restorations can be found at an early stage and corrected easily. Waiting for a longer time may require redoing the entire restoration.

PROBLEMS: Call us immediately if any one of these conditions occurs:

- **Prolonged sensitivity to hot, cold or sweet foods.
- **A feeling of movement or looseness in the restoration.
- **A peculiar taste from the restoration site.
- **Sensitivity to pressure.
- **Breakage of a piece of material from the restoration.