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Partials & Dentures

Partials

The term 'partial' is actually short for 'partial denture.' Partial dentures are removable, and with their framework, replace multiple missing teeth. A partial is typically recommended when there aren't enough good teeth to support a bridge. Many patients have had success with partials; they are usually the best treatment for people who are missing multiple teeth. There are three types of partials. One type is made of acrylic with wire clasps. Missing teeth are replaced by artificial teeth, and the acrylic base rests on the gums to support the replacement teeth. Clasps on partials engage adjacent teeth to stabilize the appliance. The second type of partial uses a framework of metal for the foundation. The use of metal allows the partial to be thin in areas supported by the gums, making it more comfortable. The third is a flexible denture, made of a thermoplastic material that is lightweight and does not require the use of metal. It adjusts to the contours of your mouth and blends in with the surrounding gums and teeth. Be sure to discuss with your dentist the benefits of each partial type to determine the best fit for your smile. 😊

Full Dentures

Periodontal disease, tooth decay, or injury can make you lose your natural teeth. Complete dentures are removable, cover your entire jaw, and can be made of the same materials as partial dentures. It can take time for you to get used to your dentures. Speaking and eating may feel different at first, but these regular activities will resume normally once you are accustomed to your dentures.

All fees are due in full at the time of service unless other financial arrangements have been made. If you are paying out-of-pocket and need to make payments for larger procedures, the final payment is due at the time the procedure is completed. Please be prepared to pay at least a third of your financial responsibility at the first visit, another third at the second visit, and the remainder upon completion.

