

WHAT IS AN IMMEDIATE DENTURE

Immediate denture is a denture that is made before extractions of patients' teeth. On the day of delivery of denture, the dentist extracts the teeth and place the denture in patient's mouth immediately.

An immediate denture is a temporary treatment and patients need to have definitive denture or any other type of replacement teeth made after healing.

Advantages:

- The biggest advantage is the patient has teeth either natural or artificial all the time. Patient doesn't have to stay without teeth.
- Patient maintains better looks and speech compared to not having teeth.
- Patient gains the functions much sooner compared to not having teeth.

Shortcomings:

- We can't try the teeth set up in patients mouth. We have to make a calculated guess based on whatever teeth patient has left to set up teeth. So the looks of the denture may not be completely fulfilling patient's expectations.
- It will need more adjustments as it is placed in patient's mouth immediately before the gums heal.
- It will need resurfacing (relining) after healing of the tissue.