



ORTHODONTIC SPECIALTY SERVICES

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Congratulations!

Your treatment today included the placement of a revolutionary form of orthodontic technology called a temporary anchorage device (TAD). Use of TADs allows us to move teeth faster and more accurately with more predictable results and presents fewer side effects.

It is normal for this area to be tender (bruised feeling) for a few days following placement. Tylenol or Ibuprofen are recommended for the day of placement, and most patients report no pressure or discomfort the day after placement. It is also normal for your cheeks, lips, and/or tongue to be slightly irritated. After the placement of your TAD(s), we ask that you rinse with Peridex for 7 days; 2 times daily for 30 seconds. After the first week, we ask that you use a clean Q-tip and swab around the TAD(s) for another 7 days. Discard the Peridex after 2 weeks.

TADs are designed to be removed, therefore, do not allow them to be hit or traumatized in any way or they will come out, creating additional treatment time and cost for you. Please avoid picking or pulling at the TAD.

Please keep the TAD clean by gently brushing them with a soft toothbrush at least twice a day. Call the office if you should experience any noticeable swelling or excessive soreness, or if the TAD should become covered with gum tissue or become loose.

Following tooth movement, when the TAD is no longer needed, the doctor will remove your TAD and the area will heal with little or no noticeable effects. It takes less than a minute to remove the TAD and is painless.

If you should have any concerns while the TADs are in place do not hesitate to call our office.

We are proud to be at the forefront of this exciting technology and we feel confident that your experience with it will be comfortable and the results exemplary.