

■ Your procedure today.

- You had one or more teeth prepared for a crown. The area was numbed with a local anesthetic. Then any old fillings and/or tooth decay was removed. An impression of the tooth was made for the dental lab. A temporary crown was placed on the tooth.

Here's what to expect.

- You may experience some minor discomfort for 2—3 days at the site of your anesthetic injection.
- Your temporary crown may be silver. Your permanent crown will be either porcelain (i.e. tooth colored) or gold—whichever material you specified.
- Your tooth may be sensitive to hot and cold while fitted with the temporary crown.

Here's how to make your recovery more comfortable.

- Use caution not to bite your lip, cheek, or tongue while numb. The anesthetic lasts from 1—3 hours.
- Avoid sticky foods or hard & crunchy food. They may tug the temporary crown off or break it.
- Brush your temporary as normal. Use care when flossing not to pull the crown off. Pull the floss out to the side of the

Here's when to give us a call.

- Call if your temporary crown becomes loose or comes off.
- Call if your temporary crown feels high or the bite feels incorrect.
- Call if you experience increasing discomfort or pain.
- Call anytime you have questions or concerns.
- Office telephone: 612.827.7400

