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INSTRUCTIONS FOR STENT WEAR AND CARE

Wear the stent at all times (even while eating) for the first five days. Your stent has been custom made to fit your teeth and mouth. It is necessary to wear in order to cover any donor site or surgical site to help protect those areas; and promote healing. After 5 days, you can wear as needed and what makes you feel most comfortable, until your post op appointment.

Keep it clean by rinsing it at least twice a day, before putting it back on and by rinsing it after eating/drinking, etc. Thoroughly rinse with warm, not hot, water and use a small amount of toothpaste with your toothbrush to help clean any areas of build up on the stent.

Bring your stent with you to every post-operative appointment. This is to ensure that it still fits; or if any minor adjustments are needed to help the progression of healing. We may also help clean it for you if you need it cleaned at any of the appointments.

Most important, NEVER THROW YOUR STENT AWAY OR STOP WEARING IT WITHOUT CONSULTING THE OFFICE. DO NOT WRAP THE STENT IN A PAPER TOWEL OR TISSUE. If you have more than one grafting to do, or other procedure that may need the stent, keep the stent as it may be an additional charge to have the lab customize another one for you.

PLEASE CALL

If you need additional information, do not hesitate to call the office. We're always available for you.

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For after-hours emergencies, please call: **Dr. Graham: (858) 342-5136 or Dr. Smith(562) 896-8255**