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Other Appliances

□ TPA (Transpalatal Arch Appliance)

The TPA appliance maintains arch width and aids in the stabilization and/or movement of the molars to help achieve the ideal bite. Possible tongue obstruction, but speech will be normal within a few days of the appliance being placed. Possible discomfort for the first few days.



□ PENDULUM APPLIANCE

The Pendulum appliance is a band around specific teeth and a plastic "button" that touches the roof of the mouth. Resilient wire springs act in a broad swinging arc to move the molars back. The appliance uses the roof of the mouth as an anchor to move the molars back into their correct positions. Patients usually wear this appliance for 4 to 6 months in preparation for "regular" braces.



□ THUMB HABIT APPLIANCE

The appliance is used to curb a thumb or finger sucking habit. The appliance makes it difficult for the patient to keep the digit in the mouth.



□ **TONGUE CRIB**

The appliance used to prevent the tongue from thrusting forward and pushing the teeth outwards.



□ **BLUEGRASS APPLIANCE**

The Bluegrass appliance is designed to prevent the patient from sucking their thumb or tongue thrusting. This fixed appliance uses a spinning roller to help break the patient's habit and allow the anterior teeth to return to their normal position.



It will act as a counter-conditioning response to the original conditioned stimulus for thumb sucking. This appliance is indicated in children in the early or late mixed dentition who have been consulted and have a desire to stop their thumb sucking.

WE RECOMMEND THE APPLIANCE THAT IS CHECKED.

