Pretreatment/Case Planning Photo Checklist

To assist you in treatment planning, we need your insights though photographs. We have listed a number of views necessary to give you our best.



I. Full face smiling

- have patient sit upright or stand
- pictures should be taken at a right angle, with patient's head straight
- smile should be natural not forced



6. Maximum Intercuspation with retractors

• shows front-to-back progression



2. Smile - without retractors

 frame the image just inside nose-to chin; captures relationship of upper smile line to lower lip line



7. Rest position

- to show display relationship of incisal plane of lower teeth to lower lip
- very important image to evaluate wear cases



3. Profile - close-up

 shows the upper incisal edge position to inner vermillion border of lower lip



8. Smile - teeth apart

 displays the silhouette of upper and lower incisal plane



4. High smile line

- have patient laugh or smile as high as possible to determine maximum tooth display
- provides information on embrasures, symmetry of gingival heights, & information for margin placement



9. Smile - head tipped down slightly (with patient sitting, shoot down from above)

- shows the relationship of arch form to lower lip
- especially good for reviewing anterior pontics



5."E" position

- shows relationship of upper incisors to upper lip
- age appropriate tooth wear may be evaluated



In cases with severe wear, request an old photo from high school, college, or a wedding.

Photo Checklist for Lab Communication of Anterior Cases

For lab communication of anterior cases we recommend the following images of provisionals:



I. Stump shades

• for all-ceramic restorations



6. Provisionals nose-to-chin, relaxed smile

 shows relationship of upper smile line to lower lip line



2. Closest matching shade guide next to teeth -

• guide numbers visible



7. Provisionals - nose-to-chin, high smile

•shows visible gingival areas



3. Close-up of adjacent teeth

• to show surface texture and luster



8. Provisionals - smile head tipped down slightly (with patient sitting, shoot down from above)

- shows the relationship of arch form to lower lip
- especially good for reviewing anterior pontics



4. Provisionals - full face smiling

- have patient sit upright or stand
- pictures should be taken at a right angle, with patient's head straight
- natural smile, not forced



9. Provisionals - close-up, lips retracted with teeth in maximum intercuspation

 shows front-to-back progression



5. Provisionals - profile, close-up

 shows the upper incisal edge position to inner vermillion border of lower lip



10. Provisionals - close-up, lips retracted with teeth apart

• shows incisal silhouette