

Patient Selection Reference Guide

Snap-On Smile is a multi-purpose restorative appliance that requires **no preparation or altering** of tooth structure, **no injections**, and **no adhesives**. It is non-invasive, making it **completely reversible**. The comfortable, removable appliance fits directly over existing dentition and attains its remarkable retention utilizing the anatomy of each existing tooth.

The Snap-On Smile[®] appliance solves a wide variety of short-term and long-term clinical challenges with modalities that include:

1. Raising Vertical Dimension
2. Cosmetic Removable Partial Dentures
3. Implant Temporaries
4. Cosmetic Smile Enhancement

The most common patient selection criteria include:

- Unhappy with the aesthetics of his/her smile
- Afraid of needles
- Lost vertical dimension
- Medical condition that precludes him/her from invasive treatment
- Intrinsic staining of the teeth (i.e. Tetracycline staining)
- Needs periodontal splinting
- Getting implants
- Wants a great smile for an upcoming special occasion
- Grinds or clenches his/her teeth during the day or at night
- Wants to know what invasive cosmetic procedures would look like on him/her
- Missing teeth (but not completely edentulous)
- Needs a cosmetic gingivectomy to correct a "gummy" smile
- Elderly and can't undergo extensive restorative work
- Takes blood thinners or other medication prohibiting invasive procedures
- Wants a quick confidence boost
- Crooked teeth (unless anterior teeth protrude)

Stained Dentition



Dated Restorations



Malalignment



Lingually Placed or Malpositioned Teeth



Stained Bonding Issues



Snap-On Smile Contraindications:

- **Severe Periodontal Disease:** Because Snap-On Smile[®] uses the teeth for retention, placing the appliance over teeth that are mobile may compromise not only retention but also the periodontally involved teeth.
- **Protruding Anterior Teeth:** Though the material is very thin, Snap-On Smile[®] will still add about 0.5mm thickness to existing teeth. For teeth that protrude, (buck teeth) this proves to be aesthetically displeasing. In some cases with less protrusion, the appliance may work for the patient.
- **Completely Edentulous:** Because the retention for the Snap-On Smile[®] appliance is completely tooth-borne, patients must have at least four teeth or implant-supported abutments in an arch to use this appliance. The Snap-On Smile[®] appliance can be made to fit onto implant abutments; therefore it can be used as an implant-supported denture. However, a patient who is completely edentulous and has not had any implants placed, is not a candidate for the Snap-On Smile[®] appliance.