

SOMETHING NEW TO SMILE ABOUT!

# THE VIRGINIA PARTIAL™

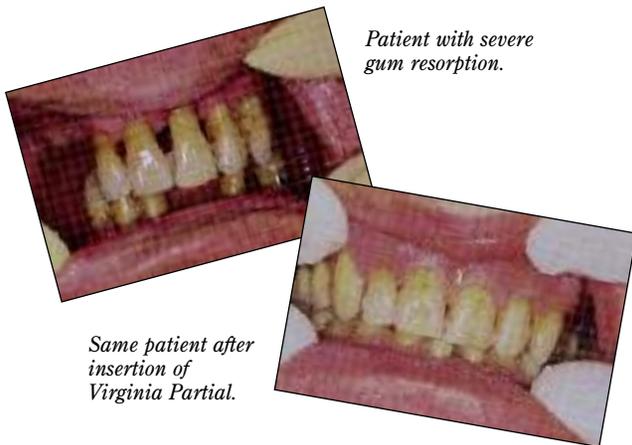
## Preserves Your Natural Teeth

A revolutionary new concept in denture treatment, the Virginia Partial features a special elastomeric band that fits over your natural teeth. This soft, comfortable band not only keeps your new denture firmly in place but actually cushions and supports your teeth, allowing you to keep them longer. Even patients with only a few teeth remaining can benefit, especially if these teeth are in a weakened state.

## Greatly Improves Your Appearance

With the Virginia Partial, you'll notice an immediate improvement in your oral appearance. The denture's retentive band is constructed of a translucent material that looks very much like your own gums. Even if your gums have receded, the Virginia Partial can restore a natural-looking gum line. And, give you a new look that will keep you smiling for years.

*Patient with severe gum resorption.*



*Same patient after insertion of Virginia Partial.*

## CARING FOR YOUR NEW VIRGINIA PARTIAL™

Your new Virginia Partial is an investment worth protecting. Your own efforts will play a major role in keeping your new smile as bright and fresh as it was when you left our office. To keep it that way, just follow these easy steps:

1. Treat your appliance with tender loving care and you will enjoy it for the full length of its life expectancy.
2. Practice conscientious oral hygiene. Don't let bacteria erode the foundations of your new partial: it's supporting teeth. Ensure their health by following your dentist's instructions on daily flossing, brushing and cleaning.
3. The soft, elastic "band" which retains your new appliance in your mouth is made of semi-porous material. As with any porous material, certain foods can stain without regular cleaning (e.g. tea, coffee, berries and red wine). Remember that smoking can yellow your teeth and partial as well.

Staining can be combated with a nightly 15 minute soak in **PROTECH** Concentrated Denture Cleaner. Two sample packages (a 14-20 day supply) have been included with your appliance (your dentist will be happy to assist you in ordering more). If you prefer, clean your partial with clean warm water and soap or a mild non-

abrasive toothpaste. Brush gently using your fingers to support the elastic band from behind.

4. DO NOT USE bleach, coloured mouth wash or similar liquids to clean your Virginia Partial. They may cause damage and/or discolouration of the semi-porous band material.
5. Do not wear your Virginia Partial overnight.
6. The human mouth changes over the years. This can create a loose fit of a full or partial denture. If this should happen, see your dentist immediately. He or she can provide your appliance with a material "reline" so it will fit properly and continue to give you the comfort and chewing enjoyment of the original.
7. Never try "self" remedies on your Virginia Partial. The use of scissors, knives, razors or glues of any type will only cause grief and added expenses.
8. Arrange and stick to a regular check up schedule. Your dentist is the best person to assess the fit of your Virginia Partial and the health of teeth and gums. A regular check up schedule (once or twice a year) will ensure an ongoing assessment of the condition of your Virginia Partial and surrounding teeth. Any necessary adjustments can then be easily accomplished.

