

FUNCTIONAL APPLIANCE MONOBLOC OR ACTIVATOR

It allows growth to go in the right direction.

It is made in such a way that when you « bite » in it you hold your chin forward. This changes the direction and intensity of growth.



To help it stay in your mouth it has a clasp on the upper first molars (in green). There are many different types of clasps and yours may be different.

Monobloc with a different clasp. The hole in the front allows you to breathe freely.



Growth happening day and night you have to wear this appliance :

WHEN QUIET AT HOME (TV, COMPUTER, READING) AND TO SLEEP.

This is necessary

Later, usually after 10-12 months, you will wear it less and less.

We will stop gradually : It will be just to sleep, then not during the weekend, every other night, 3 times a week, etc

By doing this we can correct a possible begin of relapse quickly.

Never, ever stop wearing it without our approval.

Total treatment is around 24 months.

It depends of the eruption of your teeth, your growth AND MOSTLY of your cooperation.

It is very important your parents check that you bite on it when asleep.

We will show how to do this.

You will be able to sleep without any problem with it.

It is difficult to speak with it. (Your parents will love the quietness)

You cannot eat, drink, brush your teeth with the appliance in place.

PAIN :

Apart getting used to it, there is NO PAIN.

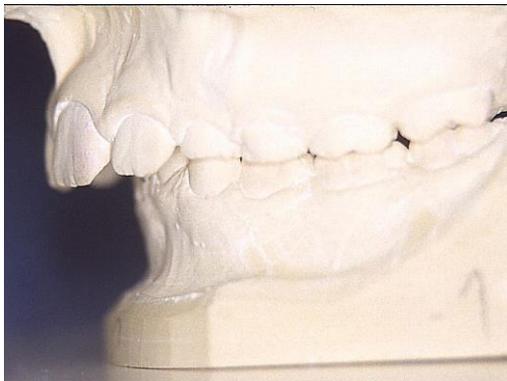
Very seldom it can hurt you because of a pressure point. Call us and don't stop wearing it so we can see where it hurts.

HYGIENE :

If not cleaned properly it can give bad breath. To avoid this brush it every morning and evening with some toothpaste.

If this is not enough buy « Kukident » which is a denture cleaning product and let it stay in a glass of water the whole day, everyday, with the Kukident.

Example of a monobloc treatment:



Growth modifications can be spectacular :
(Patients treated by Dr Dahlquist)



Before

After



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After