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## RESTORATIVE PROCEDURES Bridge (Impression)

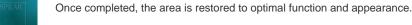
A bridge is used to replace a missing tooth. It uses teeth on either side of the missing tooth for support. It typically requires multiple appointments to complete the process of getting a bridge.

At the first appointment, your doctor will take an impression -- or mold -- of your teeth for the temporary bridge.

Next, the teeth on either side of the missing tooth are prepared. They will become the support structure for your new tooth.

A second impression is taken of the prepared teeth, which will be used by a dental lab to create the final bridge. Your doctor will provide you with a temporary bridge while your final restoration is being made.

When the final restoration is ready, your doctor will remove the temporary bridge and replace it with the permanent one.















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