A special kind of orthodontic treatment

Achieving the best smile for your child with the least amount of effort

Age seven through ten is the ideal time to use state of the art, highly effective appliances such as palate expanders (top) and lip bumpers (middle) to prevent children from needing extensive orthodontic treatment during adolescence.

Children in this age range show clear signs of the jaw growth problems that lead to crowded teeth and poor bite relationships.

Phase I (preventive) treatment corrects these growth problems and allows the permanent teeth to erupt into jaws that are the ideal size and in the correct relationship to each other.

Phase II (corrective) treatment begins when all the permanent teeth have erupted and usually requires full braces. The goal of this phase is to get each tooth into its ideal position in the mouth.

Phases I and II each last about 12 months and are usually separated by a 12-24 month interval where patients are free of appliances and can enjoy all the foods they had to give up during active treatment.

Two-Phase treatment greatly reduces:

- the length of time a patient will need to wear full braces as a teen
- the need to extract permanent teeth to correct crowding
- the need to tip front teeth to unnatural positions for bite correction
- the need for jaw surgery to correct severely misaligned jaws

And best of all…

Two-Phase treatment allows children to enjoy a healthy, attractive smile at an early age, yet starting early is no more expensive than waiting until all the permanent teeth erupt. In Two-Phase treatment, both the work and the costs involved are simply split into two halves.

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