

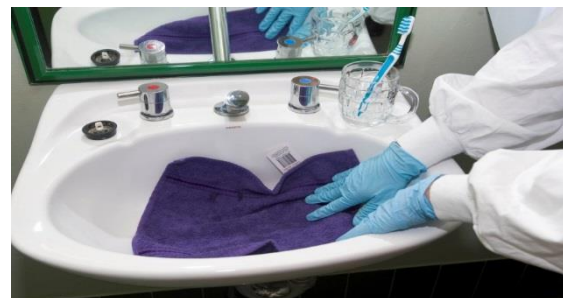
Denture Care

- All Dentures should be **labelled** with the individual's name.
 - This can be done at laboratory when the appliance is manufactured
 - Or by using a denture marking kit
- Inspect dentures and **report any cracks or chips** to your Senior Smiles Oral Health Practitioner, a dentist or Prosthetist
- Dentures should be **removed at night** and soaked in water or products for soaking dentures



Cleaning Dentures

1. Place washer or water in basin to avoid breakages
2. Use **denture paste or soap** and warm water
 - **DO NOT** use regular toothpaste
3. Use an appliance brush, or nail brush to gently scrub the denture
4. Hold dentures correctly over basin (see additional slides)



NB: If patient has a fungal infection (e.g. thrush), dentures should be cleaned and soaked in an antimicrobial solution such as Chlorhexidine

Brushing Dentures – Upper

Execute hand hygiene and apply gloves.

Hold upper dentures securely in the palm of your hand to avoid them slipping



Brushing Dentures – Lower

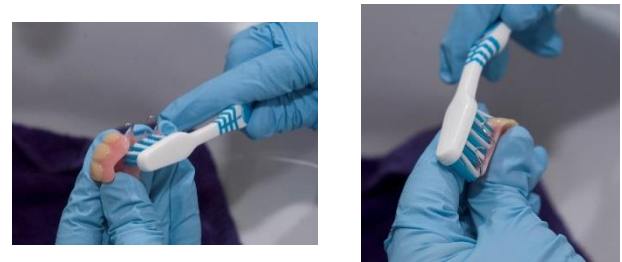
Lower dentures can be securely supported between your thumb and index finger to avoid breakages



Brushing Dentures – Partial

Partial dentures should be supported securely.

Be careful when cleaning abutment wires as bending them will affect the fit of the denture.



Removing Tartar from Dentures

Remove tartar on dentures by soaking in white vinegar for a few hours

Scrub denture with a nailbrush, or appliance brush.



NOTES:
