NANCE BUTTON

The Nance Button is designed to maintain spacing by holding your six year molars. It has a wire that is usually soldered to the bands that are cemented on your molars. The wire is imbedded in the plastic that is placed in the roof of your mouth behind your front teeth. This anchors your molars in place.

You may experience some difficulty eating at first. Be patient after a few days this will become easier. You may also have difficulty speaking. Again patience and practice will pay off. Once your tongue becomes accustomed to the Nance Button your speech will adjust and return to normal.

Taking care of the Nance Button is simple. Be sure to brush under the wire and around the plastic. A water pik also works great to clean underneath the Nance Button. Avoid sticky foods such as caramels and taffy.

Sometimes a band can come loose from one of the molars. Usually this will be evident by the band moving up and down on the tooth. If the band should come loose push it back onto the tooth and call the office to get it recemented. If you can't push the band on try to wiggle the appliance up and down to loosen the other side. Remove the entire appliance and call the office to get it repaired and recemented.

On some occasions the solder joint where the wire attaches to the band behind the teeth may come separated. If that should happen place some wax over the area (or gum if you don't have any wax) and call the office so we can repair it.

The Nance Button is designed to stay in your mouth for an extended period of time. One of the doctors will determine when it is time to remove your Nance Button.

Remember to be patient and in no time you will get used to your Nance Button.