

# Adding Crowns to Removable Partial Dentures



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**M**any times our patients present to the office with particular life or economic circumstances that either outline or even dictate the treatment plan. Most of what the prudent dentist recommends is the very best treatment option to help defray future costs of remakes of failures due to compromised treatment. However, excellent treatment alternatives exist that have the potential to provide the patient high-quality, aesthetic, and long-lasting treatment without incurring considerable expense.

Our elderly patients are examples of these types of case scenarios. Additionally, in many instances, their particular edentulous situation may not lend itself well to providing a balanced occlusion for their restoration. In particular are those who present with bilateral distal extension mandibular removable partial dentures (RPD) with either selected or fully edentulous maxillas. With the loss of mandibu-

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**Figure 1.** Preoperative condition illustrating fractured core and crown on tooth No. 7.



**Figure 2.** Facial view of tooth No. 7 crown illustrating ideal aesthetics and contours suited for adding to patient's existing removable partial denture.

