

# Labeling Dentures



**Labeling can be  
done  
professionally  
or at home**



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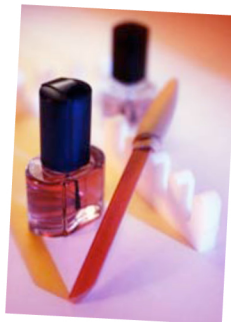
Denture labeling is important for identifying a resident's dentures. Dentures can be easily misplaced at meals or while soaking. Resident's can find it difficult to speak, eat or socialize without their dentures.

Making new dentures is time consuming, expensive and residents may not be able to tolerate or adjust to new dentures.

## Do-it-yourself Denture Labeling:

### You will need:

- 1 Spray disinfectant
- 2 Emery board (nail file)
- 3 Indelible marker
- 4 CLEAR Acrylic nail polish



### STEPS:

- 1) Always wear gloves
- 2) Clean and disinfect the denture
- 3) Use an emery board to roughen the cheek side of the denture at the back
- 4) Print the resident's name on the area with a permanent marker and then seal it with clear acrylic nail polish
- 5) Once dry, clean and disinfect the denture again and rinse thoroughly with cool water

### Other

### Options:

- ☞ Permanent labeling can be done at the denturist or the dentist office when the dentures are made.
- ☞ Dental professionals can label dentures with an engraving tool and apply acrylic over the top to make it permanent.
- ☞ Denture ID kits are available.

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