

Delivering a dreamTAP TL

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INTRODUCTION

dreamTAP™ Triple Laminate (TL), consists of a dual laminate material that features hard and soft linings (typically PETG and Polyurethane). This lining is more comfortable than the ThermAcryl™, but it cannot be re-molded or relined so it is not recommended for patients who are expecting dental work.

Step 1 — Seating the trays



- Before you fit the patient with the dreamTAP™ TL, inspect it to make sure the pieces are not damaged and free from any physical or cosmetic defects. If there is the slightest indication that the device may be damaged or defective, do not fit it. Also, clean the dreamTAP™ by gently scrubbing it with antibacterial soap and rinsing it thoroughly.
- Position the tray over the teeth. Using your thumbs, push the appliance on the teeth starting from the back and working your way forward.
- Repeat the same process with the other tray.
- Ask the patient if: **A** the trays are tight, but not uncomfortable **B** equal fit in all areas **C** comfortable to the tongue **D** he/she is able to remove the trays
- If the patient answers “no” to any of the above questions, slightly adjust the dreamTAP™ TL appliance until it is comfortable for the patient. See the Tray Adjustments section.

Step 2 — Protrusion and Posterior Pads



- Have the patient place both trays in their mouth (they should “snap” over the teeth, but not uncomfortably). Instruct the patient to engage the trays together outside of the mouth before putting the appliance in the mouth.
- With both trays hooked together in the patient’s mouth, adjust the patient’s jaw to a normal bite position (lips together, teeth apart and lower jaw not pulled forward) by dialing the Adjustment Key.
- ⓘ **Note:** This position does not have to be exact, it is just a position that is easy to find as a starting point.
- With the patient in this position, look at the lower unit in relation to the upper unit. It is extremely important that there is a minimum of 1mm space bilaterally in the posterior areas at all times, in all positions.
- ⓘ This will allow you to add posterior stops once the patient has found a treatment position. If the practitioner desires posterior support, which Airway Management recommends, he/she can add it once the patient reaches the final treatment position.
- ⚠ **Warning:** If any damage occurs, tell the patient not to use the appliance and return to your office for repair.