Instructions for Vivera Retainers

- 1. Wear your retainer(s) for 21-22 hours per day for three months. Remove them only to eat and brush your teeth. Missing time with your retainer(s) may allow your teeth to move.
- 2. Always keep your retainers in the case when you are not wearing them. Keep your name and phone number on the case.
- 3. Clean your retainers prior to each insertion. You may soak your retainers in Fresh Guard for 5 minutes daily. Use <u>luke warm or cold water, not hot</u>. Heat may distort your retainers. Do <u>not use</u> denture cleaner or soak your retainers in mouthwash as these products can damage the surface of the retainer causing it to become dull and more visible.
- 4. Keep your retainers away from dogs and cats. They like to chew them.
- 5. Do not leave them in your pockets. They will melt in the clothes dryer.
- 6. Call Dr. Himelhoch's office if you are having any trouble with how your retainer fits in your mouth.
- 7. Call <u>immediately</u> if you lose or break your retainers. Too much time without retainers will allow your teeth to move.
- 8. Do not leave them in the car nor wash them in hot water. The heat will distort them.