

## REHABILITATION OF PATIENT WITH MAXILLECTOMY USING DEFINITIVE HOLLOW BULB OBTURATOR

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### **ABSTRACT**

*The defects of the maxilla are fabricated by palatal clefts or resection of tumours or malignancies in the orofacial section and are treated by surgical methods. Surgical techniques develop defects creating oro-nasal communication and patients develop problems in speech, deglutition, mastication and appearance. To overcome these problems obturators are fabricated with light weight to enhance retention and stability of the prosthesis. Hence, the best treatment modality in maxillectomy patients is hollow bulb maxillary obturator prosthesis. A partial or total maxillectomy can be most benefited by this treatment. This article is a description of a clinical case that was treated successfully by using a closed hollow bulb (definitive) obturator.*

**KEYWORDS:** *Definitive Hollow Bulb Obturator, Closed Hollow Bulb, Single Piece Obturator, Maxillary Defect, Hemi Maxillectomy, Maxillofacial Prosthesis*

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