



RPE

(RAPID PALATAL EXPANDER)

The purpose for expanding the upper jaw is to create a larger arch which will accommodate teeth in proper alignment.

The expansion occurs where sections of bone come together. Pressure from expansion can be felt between all the facial bones. An over the counter pain reliever (Tylenol, Advil, Ibuprofen, etc...) should cover any discomfort.

The RPE must be kept in place a minimum of six months to allow sufficient bone generation to avoid relapse.

The immediate obvious results from expansion is space between the upper central teeth and a bite change. These are normal and temporary.

Please call us if you have any questions.