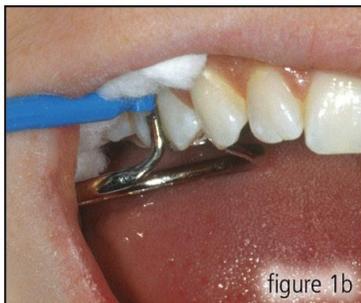
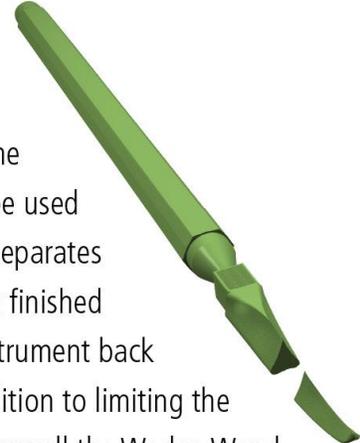


Clinical Tip



“Leave the handles on your Wedge Wands. When I first received Wedge Wands I used them according to the box instructions and removed the handle after placement. After about five applications, the light finally came on—why am I twisting off a perfectly acceptable handle that I can use to manipulate the wedge during the entire procedure? It drives in the wedge with significant force, can be used to snug it in tighter once the ring separates the teeth and then remove it when finished without ever having to pass an instrument back and forth with my assistant. In addition to limiting the transfer of instruments, look at how well the Wedge Wand retracts the cheek in these images. The DO on #5 (fig 1 and 1b) is not any big trick, but look at the MO on #2 (fig 2). I don’t even bend the wedge—just drive it straight in. Great gingival seal, retraction and access plus it even holds my cotton roll in place. What other wedge can do all that for you?”



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