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Felt Pads for Facial Protraction Masks

Patients wearing Delaire-type protraction masks often develop pressure points from the supporting frames as elastic tension increases (A). If dermatitis results (B), appliance wear may have to be temporarily suspended.

We have found self-adhesive felt pads (C), used for the underside of floor protectors for furniture casters, to be helpful in relieving these pressure points. The inexpensive pads can be easily attached or replaced by the parents (D), are comfortable for the patients, and avoid the need to reconstruct the facial mask.

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