

SMILE DESIGN SEQUENCE

- 1 Position incisal edge of upper central incisors
- 2 Get midline parallel to facial midline
- 3 Decide on length of central incisors based on ideal length of 11mm or ideal tooth display if low lip line
- 4 Work out width of central incisors aiming for height : width ratio of 0.75 to 0.85
- 5 Width of lateral incisor and mesial of canine should be in golden proportion of 1.6: 1.0: 0.6
- 6 Smile line should mirror lower lip line
- 7 Long axes of teeth progressively slope distally
- 8 Consider buccal corridor: long axes of canines and premolars are parallel to each other
- 9 Contacts become shorter as you progress distally
- 10 Embrasures move apically and become more rounded as you progress distally
- 11 Consider gingival aesthetics

Smile design sequence courtesy of Dr Christopher Orr