

**SEAL FOR A PATIENT INTERFACE, INTERFACE ASSEMBLIES
AND ASPECTS THEREOF**

ABSTRACT

5 A mask assembly or interface with a mask assembly includes a mask seal and a mask
shell that supports the mask seal. In some configurations, the mask assembly is configured to
be fully positioned lower than a bridge of a nose of a face of a user and to provide an exposed
bridge of the nose of the user. The mask seal includes one or more features that decouple
movement of the nasal portion and the oral portion to allow relative movement therebetween
10 at least about a longitudinal axis extending in the front to back direction of the mask seal. In
some configurations, an interface assembly includes a movement limiting arrangement that
limits movement of the upper portion of the mask seal.

(FIG. 1)