

Preparing for your child's dental treatment with sedation.



Your child is scheduled to receive conscious sedation in order to help him/her cope with needed dental treatment as previously discussed. Your child will not be put to sleep. The purpose of sedation is to calm the child and reduce anxieties and discomforts that accompany dental treatment.

It is very important for your child's safety that you follow these instructions carefully:

1. Make sure that your child does NOT HAVE ANYTHING TO EAT OR DRINK AFTER MIDNIGHT THE NIGHT BEFORE THE APPOINTMENT.
2. DO NOT give your child any other medications in combination with the sedative without consulting with the doctor.
3. Your child should be healthy the day of the appointment. Should he/she develop severe congestion or illness prior to the appointment, please notify our office immediately.
4. Your child must be accompanied to and from our office by a parent or legal guardian who shall remain in our office for the entire treatment time. Plan on being here for approximately 2-3 hours. Most of the oral medications are given 1 hour before treatment is to begin.
5. After the appointment, take your child home where he/she can rest with close supervision. The sedation will still have some effects upon your child for up to six hours following treatment. Your child may be sleepy, disoriented, clumsy or agitated and will require close supervision. Please report any unusual reactions to the doctor immediately.
6. Have children's Advil, Motrin or Tylenol at home to be administered as instructed on post-operative instructions.
7. Have plenty of liquids, soup, and soft foods on hand to avoid any trips out of the home with your child.
8. Have an appropriate child restraint device available in your vehicle for safe travel after sedation treatment.

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