



*Cosmetic & Reconstructive Periodontics
Dental Implants*

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Preoperative Sedation Instructions

When oral medication is prescribed prior to your scheduled appointment you may not consume any solid food at least 7 hours prior to your taking this medication. You are to take the pre-medication 1 hour prior to your office visit to allow for onset of the medication. This means that you will not consume solid food eight hours prior to your appointment time. You may drink up to six ounces of water when taking the pills for medication. This means that you will not drink any liquids (except water with pills) for at least eight hours prior to your appointment.

If oral medication is not given and only intravenous sedation is planned, you may not consume any solid food at least 6 hours prior or drink any clear liquids six hours prior to your appointment time.

It is imperative that a responsible adult accompany you to the office for the procedure and remain available until the procedure is completed. This accompanying person must be with you from the time that you take your medication until you arrive in this office. Following the procedure that person must drive you home and remain with you for at least four hours. You are not allowed to drive from the time that you take your medication until the day after your surgical appointment. Please ensure that the accompanying person is given these instructions prior to your planned visit.

Postoperative Sedation Instructions

Following sedation it is important to understand that you will be in an impaired condition. It is vital that the adult accompanying you to the office ensures your safe trip home and remains with you to ensure no complications as the medications given during surgery slowly dissipate. It is common for the medications given during sedation to produce amnesia that may reduce, blur or eliminate the memory of your visit to our office.

It is imperative that you do not drive any vehicles or operate any machinery until the day following surgery. It is important that no alcohol or other drugs be taken without prior approval by our office. In addition, no responsible business matters or decisions should be made within 24 hours after sedation.

Please follow the accompanying post-operative surgical instructions to care for your mouth following surgery. If any problems arise following sedation or surgery please contact us immediately, we are here to ensure your health and well being.