

Post-op Instructions for IV Sedation

Any patient accepting IV sedation must agree to the following:

- Arrangements must be made for a responsible party to accompany the patient home and remain with the patient afterwards.
- Medications, drugs, anesthetics and prescriptions may cause drowsiness, lack of awareness and coordination all of which can be increased by the use of alcohol or other drugs; therefore I have been advised, I understand and agree not to operate any vehicle, automobile, motorcycle, bicycle, machinery, hazardous devices nor work or undertake in any responsible business matters while under the effect of said medications and/or drugs. I agree not to operate any of the aforementioned vehicles or partake in any responsible activities until fully recovered from the effects of the medications for at least 24 hours after my release from dental treatment/surgery or until further recovered from the effects of the anesthetic medication and drugs that may have been given to me in the office or post-operatively for pain management.
- Some patients, especially in those who bruise easily, may develop a discolored area on the arm or in the area where the IV medications were introduced to the body which may persist for several days to several weeks afterwards. It may cause tenderness up the extremity and a hard cord-like knot may develop at the site of injection. This phenomenon is called thrombophlebitis and is rare but can occur and will eventually disappear.

Additional Information

Intravenous sedation makes lengthy or complex dental or oral surgical treatment comfortable and easy for you. It reduces anxiety, stress, discomfort, memory, time and awareness from the procedure. You enjoy a relaxing and pleasant sleepy state whilst you maintain your ability to breathe for yourself, maintain your protective reflexes and your ability to respond verbally to us if required.

You will still be administered local anesthetic in your mouth after you are sedated. Following your procedure you will be afforded appropriate monitored recovery time in the surgery or recovery area until you are ready to be discharged.

Our practice is specially equipped and qualified for IV Sedation treatments, the safe monitoring of sedated patients and for managing sedated patients and medical emergencies. However as with any anesthetic procedure IV Sedation is not without risk and there is an *extremely* remote risk of serious medical complications such as allergic reactions (previously unknown) to any of the medications used, or cardiovascular/respiratory compromise leading to cardiac arrest, brain damage, coma or death. To ensure your safety, intravenous sedation in the dental practice setting should be administered by a suitably qualified medical or dental practitioner. Dr. Vikas Puri has IV Sedation certification from the University of Indiana, School of Dentistry.

IF YOU ARE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL OUR OFFICE
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