

POSTOPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR DENTAL EXTRACTIONS

1. Do **not** allow the patient to drink from a straw for today and tomorrow.
2. Keep patient biting on the gauze for **20 minutes** after extraction.
If bleeding continues, replace with the clean gauze which was provided.
3. Do **not** allow patient to place fingers in their mouth.
4. Do **not** brush or spit today. Resume brushing tomorrow.
5. You can expect a small amount of swelling and some discomfort.
Please give your child the recommended dosage of **Children's Tylenol**.
If pain or swelling continue **beyond** the second day,
please call the emergency number at the bottom of the page.
6. Limit diet to **soft foods** today. Resume normal diet as tolerated tomorrow.
7. Be careful while the numbness is present. Make sure the child does **not**
bite, chew, or suck on his/her lip, cheek, or tongue.
8. Any questions or concerns please call the office.
(emergency # on the voice mail) (773)772-7373 for Chicago or (847) 882-2555 for
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