

INSTRUCTIONS PRIOR TO ENDODONTIC SURGERY

YOU HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED FOR AN ENDODONTIC SURGICAL PROCEDURE. THE SURGERY WILL BE PERFORMED USING LOCAL ANESTHETIC. MOST PATIENTS ARE ABLE TO DRIVE HOME AND RETURN TO WORK THE FOLLOWING DAY. POST-OPERATIVE COMPLICATIONS ARE RARE, BUT SWELLING AND/OR BRUISING MAY OCCUR. DISCOMFORT AFTER THE PROCEDURE IS MINIMAL, AND EASILY CONTROLLED WITH MEDICATIONS. DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE GIVEN CONCERNING POST-OPERATIVE CARE AND THE DOCTOR IS AVAILABLE, SHOULD A PROBLEM ARISE.

1. PLEASE EAT A FULL BREAKFAST.
2. CONTINUE ALL MEDICATIONS FOR BLOOD PRESSURE, DIABETES, THYROID, AND ANY OTHER CONDITIONS AS RECOMMENDED BY YOUR PHYSICIAN. IF THERE IS A QUESTION, PLEASE CALL OUR OFFICE PRIOR TO YOUR SURGERY.
3. IF YOU ARE ON AN ASPIRIN REGIMEN OR ANY BLOOD THINNING MEDICATION, PLEASE INFORM US SO WE CAN CONTACT YOUR PHYSICIAN ABOUT CHANGING THE REGIMEN BEFORE SURGERY CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED.
4. IF YOU ARE NOT ON AN ASPIRIN REGIMEN, PLEASE DO NOT TAKE ASPIRIN OR ASPIRIN LIKE MEDICATIONS SUCH AS MOTRIN, IBUPROFEN, NAPROXEN ONE WEEK BEFORE YOUR SURGERY. TWO WEEKS BEFORE SURGERY STOP ALL HERBAL PRODUCTS (I.E. FISH OILS, GINKGO, ECT), VITAMIN E, OR ANY PRESCRIBED OR OVER THE COUNTER DIET MEDICATIONS.
5. IF YOU HAVE BEEN ADVISED BY YOUR PHYSICIAN OR DENTIST TO USE ANTIBIOTIC PREMEDICATION PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE TAKEN THE APPROPRIATE ANTIBIOTIC ON THE DAY OF YOUR SURGERY.
6. LADIES PLEASE DO NOT WEAR FOUNDATION OR LIPSTICK.
7. IF YOU ARE PRESCRIBED ANY MEDICATION FOR SEDATION, IT WILL BE ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY FOR SOMEONE TO DRIVE YOU TO AND FROM THE APPOINTMENT, YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO DRIVE OR MAKE LEGAL DECISIONS FOR A PERIOD OF 24 HOURS FROM THE LAST DOSE OF THE SEDATION MEDICATION. SOMEONE SHOULD REMAIN WITH YOU THROUGHOUT THE DAY TO ASSIST YOU IF NEEDED.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE 270-737-6804