

**TEAYS VALLEY PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY
POST-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR SEDATION**

Today your child had dental treatment under conscious sedation. Your child received the following medications and dosages:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Children respond to sedation in their own way, but the following guidelines will help you know what to expect at home.

1. Your child may not be able to walk well and may be very tired. We suggest that you carry your child or hold his/her hand to the car. If you have stairs at home, your child should be closely monitored.
2. Restrict your child's activity after the appointment, as the effects of the medication can last for several hours. Playing unassisted, riding a bike, or running should be avoided until your child has returned to his/her usual state of alertness and coordination.
3. Once at home do not give additional medication for up to 6 hours after the appointment unless otherwise directed by the doctor.
4. Your child may take a long nap. He/she may sleep 3-8 hours and may be drowsy and irritable for up to 24 hours. When your child is asleep you should be able to awaken him/her easily.
5. Begin by giving clear liquids to drink such as clear juices, water, gelatin, Popsicles, or broth. If your child does not vomit after 30 minutes, you may continue with solid foods after all numbness is gone.

Reasons to Call the Doctor

- You are unable to arouse your child
- Your child is unable to eat or drink
- Your child experiences excessive vomiting or pain
- Your child develops a rash

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Additional Instructions: