Intravenous Sedation

Patient Advice and Consent Template

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Intravenous Sedation This technique uses an injected drug producing a depression of the central nervous system whilst verbal contact can be maintained throughout the procedure. The drug has three main effects; to promote a feeling of calm within the patient; Reducing patient awareness of treatment; Providing powerful amnesia so that the patient usually remembers very little of the procedure. Importantly you will not lose consciousness or be 'sent to sleep'. Like all professional healthcare there are limitations and risks which will be discussed below.

Sedation Agents and Safety Midazolam (usually 10mg) works reliably and has a wide margin of safety. We monitor the pulse and oxygen saturation throughout the procedure and a reversal agent, Anexate, is available. During the procedure the dentist will be accompanied by a qualified and suitably trained dental assistant. Sedation might enable us to provide more treatment in the time allocated. We will not rush and affect the standard of care. If we are unable to complete the treatment, further visits of sedation may be required and a further fee payable.

Before Sedation Instructions You should have a light snack about two hours prior to treatment. You should not fast completely. You should not drink immediately prior to treatment. You should not take alcohol or non-prescribed drugs eight hours before the procedure. Maintain any prescribed drugs, with the exception of sedatives, at their stated doses. Wear a minimum of hand jewellery & no nail varnish. Inform the dentist if you have any change in your medical history.

After Sedation You will be very drowsy and must be accompanied by another competent adult, who must remain at the Clinic. It is not advisable to use public transport to get home. You should not drive or operate machinery for 24 hours after treatment. The most powerful effect of the sedation will last for 90 minutes; in longer procedures you might be more aware of final treatment. You may want to sleep on your arrival home after treatment.

Costs The cost for treatment is as detailed in the 'Dental Estimate'. Payment is expected before treatment under sedation is performed so that you do not exchange money or signatures under the influence of any drugs.

Medical Questions. Do you have or had in the past? Heart problems including High Blood Pressure Lung problems including Asthma and Bronchitis Liver or kidney problems Long term Tranquilliser or Sleeping Tablet use Epilepsy or brain disorders Major Illnesses or Infections Previous experience of Intravenous Sedation Any allergies to Drugs esp. anaesthetics Any allergies to Drugs esp. antibiotics How many cigarettes do you smoke daily? Please list all Drugs, Tablets, or Medication you are tak	Yes	No	Comments
I consent to undergo treatment with intravenous sedation. Alternative treatments including no sedation have been explained and offered. Risks, limitations, medical and safety issues have been discussed.			

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