



Anesthesia Options

Local anesthesia – Numbing injections are given in the appropriate area(s). It is not necessary to change your eating habits before your appointment. Please take any prescription medications as you normally would. If you are pregnant, then local anesthesia is recommended.

Nitrous oxide and local anesthesia – Nitrous oxide gas is administered to produce a relaxed, awake state. Numbing injections are then given. It is not necessary to change your eating habits before your appointment unless you are instructed otherwise.

Intravenous anesthesia – Intravenous (IV) medications are given to produce a semiconscious or unconscious condition. The numbing injections and surgery are accomplished while you sleep. Following the surgery, you should plan to rest at home for the remainder of the day. Please note the following if you prefer IV anesthesia:

- Do not eat or drink anything for at least six hours before the appointment. You may take prescription medications with a small amount of water.
- Have a responsible adult with you to drive you home. This is a must! Your escort must be present before and during your procedure, and should plan to stay with you the remainder of that day.
- Wear comfortable, loose-fitting clothing. Please remove all jewelry and nail polish before your appointment. If you wear contact lenses, please remove them and wear your eyeglasses instead.

Preoperative Consultations

We encourage you to schedule a preoperative consultation to discuss your health and/or medications if any of the following conditions apply to you:

Artificial heart valve	Diabetes	Latex allergy
Artificial hip or knee joint	Dialysis	Serious health problems
Bleeding disorders	Heart attack in past 6 months	Take blood thinners

***Our goal is to provide you with the highest quality of care
in a comfortable and safe atmosphere.***