

Pediatric Dentistry

INSTRUCTIONS FOLLOWING AMALGAM FILLINGS

YOUR CHILD HAS RECEIVED LOCAL ANESTHETIC FOR HIS/HER FILLINGS. THE NUMBNESS WILL BE PRESENT FOR TWO TO THREE HOURS AFTER THE APPOINTMENT. TO PREVENT HIM/HER FROM CAUSING INJURY TO THEIR LIPS WE SUGGEST THESE ITEMS.

EATING/DRINKING: WAIT FOR THE NUMBNESS TO WEAR OFF BEFORE EATING. THEY MAY HAVE FOOD THAT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE CHEWED (I.E.SOUP). THE FILLINGS NEED TIME TO COMPLETELY SET SO A SOFT DIET IS RECOMMENDED FOR 24 HOURS.

OBSERVE: WATCH AND REMIND HIM/HER NOT TO SCRATCH OR PLAY WITH THEIR LIP WHILE IT IS STILL NUMB.

ACTIVITY: NORMAL ACTIVITY AFTER THE APPOINTMENT IS O.K.

DISCOMFORT: SOME CHILDREN DO EXPERIENCE SOME PAIN AS THE LOCAL ANESTHETIC IS WEARING OFF. IT IS ADVISABLE TO GIVE YOUR CHILD A TYLENOL TYPE PRODUCT BEFORE THE ANESTHETIC WEARS OFF.