

Pediatric Dentistry

INSTRUCTIONS FOLLOWING STAINLESS STEEL CROWNS

YOUR CHILD HAS RECEIVED LOCAL ANESTHETIC FOR HIS/HER STAINLESS STEEL CROWN. 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 STAINLESS STEEL CROWN IS COMPLETELY SET BUT A SOFT DIET IS RECOMMENDED FOR 24 HOURS. IT IS RECOMMENDED TO AVOID ANYTHING STICKY OR EXTREMELY HARD (I.E. TAFFY, CORNNUTS, JOLLY RANCHERS, ETC.) WHILE YOUR CHILD HAS A STAINLESS STEEL CROWN.

OBSERVE: WATCH AND REMIND HIM/HER NOT TO SCRATCH OR PLAY WITH THEIR LIP WHILE IT IS STILL NUMB. BRUSH AND FLOSS THE AREA REGULARLY. IT WILL TAKE 1 WEEK TO 10 DAYS FOR TISSUE TO BE NORMAL AGAIN, YOUR CHILD MAY EXPERIENCE LIGHT BLEEDING IN THE AREA AROUND THE STAINLESS STEEL CROWN, THIS IS NORMAL.

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.