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Consent & Pre-Op Instructions for Intravenous (IV) Sedation

The purpose of IV sedation is to more comfortably receive your dental care. Sedation is not required to provide your dental care. Sedation is achieved by placing an IV needle in a vein and administering sedation medications, usually a benzodiazepine (diazepam, lorazepam) and narcotic (Demerol, fentanyl, morphine, or nalbuphine). Other medications may be used as well. Sometimes oral medications are also given before the dental appointments and may also involve administering nitrous oxide (laughing gas) during your dental appointment. Sedation is a drug-induced state of reduced awareness, reduced ability to respond and to make decisions. The effects of the sedation medications should wear off before the end of the day of your dental appointment.

Please read each consent statement below. If there is any statement you do not understand, ask for assistance.

I have had the opportunity to ask questions about my dental treatment, about the sedation medications, and about the effects of the sedation medications. I can also ask questions about sedation and my dental treatment later, but not after taking any oral or IV sedation medications.

Initial _____

I have given Dr. Bergstrom a complete medical history and told him of all medications, over-the-counter medications, herbs, and any other supplements I take. I have told Dr. Bergstrom about all drug, latex, and other allergies or sensitivities. I have also disclosed any recreational use of legal or illegal drugs I have taken within the last 3 weeks, including but not limited to: heroin, crack, cocaine, methadone, opium, methamphetamine, Percodan, Vicodin, OxyContin, and marijuana.

Initial _____

I will be accompanied by a responsible adult who will drive me to and from my surgery, and who will stay with me for the remainder of the day until I have recovered sufficiently to care for myself. I will not drive, operate machinery, cook, watch children, or make any important or legal decisions for 24 hours after my dental appointment is finished, regardless of how "good" I feel.

Initial _____

I will not give any oral sedation medications/pills to anyone else. If I do not take them as directed, I will return the medications to Dr. Bergstrom's office.

Initial _____

I will follow Dr. Bergstrom's instructions.

Initial _____

I will use ABSOLUTELY NO RECREATIONAL DRUGS OR ALCOHOL for 24 hours before or after treatment or with prescribed sedation or pain medications and pills.

Initial _____

I understand that women who are breastfeeding need to prepare ahead for feedings post-appointment; pump and discard for a minimum of 24 hours after being sedated.

Initial _____

I understand that the sedation medications may not work as intended. The effects of local anesthetic or sedative medications may cause prolonged drowsiness, dizziness, headache, blurry vision, and amnesia. Nausea and vomiting, although not common, are potential side effects of anesthesia. Bed rest and medications may be required for relief.

Initial _____

If I develop a cold, flu, sore throat, cough, or any other illness, I will advise Dr. Bergstrom's office prior to my appointment. Dental treatment with sedation methods is considered quite safe. Nevertheless, I understand that there are risk or limitations to taking any medications, including but not limited to, local anesthetic shots, pills, or IV medications.

Initial _____

I understand that allergic reactions may occur. Discomfort, swelling, or bruising can occur at the site where the drugs are placed into a vein, which may include vein irritation, called phlebitis. Rarely, complications could require medical care, further medications, or hospitalization, including very rare potential or brain damage, stroke, heart attack, or death.

Initial _____

I give Dr. Bergstrom and his staff permission to discuss my dental procedures, post-op instructions, and any pertinent information regarding my care to my ride/chaperone, caregiver, including in person, by telephone, email, etc., as I may not remember what Dr. Bergstrom and/or his staff told me after I take medications, or be in a good state of mind to care for myself for the rest of the day.

Initial _____

If during the procedure a change in treatment is required, I authorize the doctor and his staff to make whatever change they deem in their professional judgement is necessary. I also have the right to designate another individual who will make such a decision for me if they are present here in the office at the time or easily reached by telephone. If they cannot be reached, then the doctor and his staff can make the decision.

Initial _____

YOU MUST HAVE A COMPLETELY EMPTY STOMACH. It is vital that you have **NOTHING TO EAT OR DRINK** for six (6) hours prior to your sedation, except clear liquids up to 2 hours prior to your sedation. **TO DO OTHERWISE MAY BE LIFE-THREATENING!** Take regular medications or prescriptions prescribed by your physicians or Dr. Bergstrom, unless told to do otherwise. You may drink clear liquids up to 2 hours prior to your appointment. Dr. Bergstrom recommends a small glass of a cold, clear liquid about 2 to 3 hours before your appointment. It helps empty your stomach.

(What is clear liquid? Put it in a glass and hold it up to a light bulb. You should see the light thru it with no pulp. Water, black coffee, tea, Gatorade, cranberry, grape, or apple juice, 7-up, ginger ale, Coke, Pepsi are clear liquids. Milk, orange, pineapple, grapefruit juices, coffee or tea with milk/cream are not clear liquids.)

Arrive 10-15 minutes early for your appointment. Use the restroom before going back to the dental operatory. **WEAR LOOSE FITTING CLOTHING WITH SHORT SLEEVES ABOVE THE ELBOW.** This will allow you to be comfortable during your procedure, allow ease of breathing, and access for monitoring equipment. Remove contact lenses.

REMOVE FINGERNAIL POLISH & ARTIFICIAL NAILS ON AT LEAST ONE FINGER ON EACH HAND.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE OF NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS:

St. John's Wort – discontinue 5 days before and restart 4 days after surgery.

Kava Kava – discontinue 14 days before and restarted 4 days after surgery.

Valerian and Gotu Kola – discontinue 1 day before and restart 4 days after surgery.

Echinacea – discontinue 4 weeks before surgery, as it delays healing, and restart 4 weeks after surgery.

I am not pregnant. Pregnant women are NOT candidates for elective sedation.

I give consent to sedation in conjunction with my dental care. I fully understand the risks involved. I certify that I speak, read, and write English, or that I have a certified translator present.

Print Patient Name:

Signature of Patient/Guardian:

Witness/Translator Name:

Signature of Witness/Translator:

PLEASE SIGN AND DATE THE IV. SEDATION FORM AND RETURN IT TO US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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THANK YOU