

ESCORT INFORMATION
FOR PATIENTS
UNDERGOING
TREATMENT UNDER IV
SEDATION

You have been asked to accompany someone who is having dental treatment under sedation.

The treatment helps the patient relax so dental treatment can be carried out. They will receive a sedative drug (medicine) before their treatment. The drugs used can cause some patients to feel a little disorientated or confused for a short time after the treatment.

It is important that someone can look after the patient for the remainder of the day. Occasionally, it may be necessary for someone to stay with them overnight.

The patient will not be allowed to go home until the dentist is satisfied that the patient is in the care of a responsible adult (over 18 years of age). The escort must attend the appointment with the patient and sit in the waiting room until the procedure has finished. They must accompany the patient home by car/taxi.

Some patients take a little longer than others to be ready to go home so please be aware that we cannot give you an exact time the treatment will take.

The patient's ability to think clearly is likely to be affected. Patients should not make any important decisions for up to 24 hours following their treatment. For example signing any legal documents or access to social media.

The dentist will explain to the patient which pain relief medicines he or she may take. Patients should take their usual prescribed medicines unless told otherwise by their doctor or dentist.

Patients should rest when they get home.

They should not be looking after any children alone for 24 hours whilst the drug is still in their system.

Care should be taken when cooking or using domestic appliances e.g. kettles.

Patients should not drive a vehicle, ride a bicycle, operate machinery or drink alcohol until the following day and, in some cases, for up to 24 hours. The dentist will advise the patient on the day of treatment.

It is important that you follow these instructions.

OUR TEAM IS HERE TO HELP AND SUPPORT YOU THROUGH YOUR DENTAL TREATMENT. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE ASK ANY MEMBER OF OUR TEAM.

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