

Dentistry for Kids
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Dear Responsible Party: The following descriptions of treatment aids may possibly be used by Dr. Evans in caring for your child. We will discuss with you their use when applicable:

Nitrous Oxide/oxygen - This gas mixture is administered through a nose mask; its main purpose is to help reduce anxiety. Patients do not go to sleep as they are always receiving at least 40% oxygen. Very rare side effects might include nausea, vomiting, or dizziness.

Local Anesthesia - This may be in the form of a topical gel or an injectable liquid. It is used to produce anesthesia of the hard and soft tissues. Allergies are rare but can include a rash, skin eruptions, and anaphylactic shock, including death. Children must be constantly reminded not to bite or chew on the soft tissue in the anesthetized area.

Rubber dam application - This consists of a clamp that fits over the tooth and with a piece of thin rubber isolates the teeth being treated. It enables us to do a better job restoring the child's teeth.

Fluoride treatment - may be used based on the child's dental history and past exposure to other fluorides.

Extractions - Removal of teeth.

Composite fillings - tooth-colored fillings.

Stainless steel crowns - used when the tooth is too badly decayed to hold a filling.

Sealants - a thin coating of plastic is placed on the biting surfaces of the teeth to prevent decay from starting. The teeth must be cleaned and etched with a mild acid before the sealant is placed. Occasionally some decay is discovered. This requires the placement of a preventive resin restoration, for which a separate fee is charged.

Stabilization with papoose - used when needed, and reviewed with parent in advance.

Please sign below if you agree to the following statements:

I am informed that in most cases if I fail to keep an appointment without giving the office 24 hours' notice, I will not be rescheduled

I am advised that though good treatment results are expected, there can be no guarantee expressed or implied as to the result of treatment or cure

I understand that, although adverse reactions to routine dental care are rare, they can occur. Adverse reactions may include nausea, vomiting, dizziness, breathing difficulty, allergic reactions, excess bleeding, and prolonged numbness. I understand that any of these adverse reactions may require hospitalization and could lead to death.

I authorize Dr. Evans and his staff to take the x-rays necessary to provide good dental care and expect to be informed before any x-rays are taken. If I do not agree to x-rays, a separate form will be provided, releasing the doctors from certain liabilities.

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(Date) _____