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## **POST OP INSTRUCTIONS:**

DO NOT EAT SOLID FOOD FOR TWO HOURS. Liquids are ok. After the two hours please eat on the other side until you see your dentist.

## **PAIN MANAGEMENT AFTER THE ROOT CANAL:**

Your tooth may be painful after the root canal. This is not uncommon. Take 600mg. (3 tablets) of Ibuprofen (Advil or Motrin) three times a day for 3 days whether your tooth hurts or not.

If the Ibuprofen is not working you should alternate w/ Tylenol. Example: take 600mg of Ibuprofen then in four hours take 2 Tylenol. Continue until the pain is under control. If you can not take Ibuprofen take 500mg of Tylenol (follow the instructions on the bottle.)

#### **SWELLING:**

If you develop swelling please call our office immediately if you were not given an antibiotic. Rinsing with warm salt water will help with the swelling (dissolve 1 tsp of salt in 8oz. of warm water and rinse for 1 minute). This should be done as much as possible throughout the day.

# **ANTIBIOTICS:**

If you were prescribed antibiotics or narcotic pain medication please take as directed on the bottle. You may have been told to <u>HOLD</u> the antibiotics. If you develop significant swelling then you must start the antibiotics and let our office know. If you have a reaction to any of the medication, stop the medication and call our office immediately. 707 763 2170.

# **FOLLOW-UP:**

Unless you were told otherwise, you will need to see your dentist in 2-3 weeks for a final restoration. A temporary filling was placed today and it will need to be replaced with a Core Build-up or a crown. (your dentist will make that decision.) IF YOUR TEMPORARY FILLING BREAKS BEFORE YOU SEE YOUR DENTIST PLEASE CALL OUR OFFICE IMMEDIATELY.

PATIENT/PARENT SIGNATURE:	_DATE:
PRINT NAME:	