

POST-OPERATIVE ENDODONTIC INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

1. You have been given a long acting local anesthetic. This anesthetic may last as long as 10-12 hours or longer. Avoid chewing in the operated area to alleviate trauma to the lip.
2. After the anesthetic disappears, it is normal to experience mild to moderate discomfort for several days. Take anti-inflammatory analgesics such as aspirin or ibuprofen (Advil) as needed. Prescription analgesics may be provided. Continue to take any antibiotics you may have been prescribed until the prescription is completed.
3. All posterior teeth (bicuspid and molars) and some anterior teeth (cuspids and incisors) will require partial or full coverage (crowns or onlays) to protect them. Schedule an appointment with your general dentist to have these restorations placed as soon as practical. It is advisable to avoid chewing aggressively in this area until these restorations are placed.
4. Although the rate of success for endodontic procedures performed by our office is extremely high, problems can arise. Please inform our office if you experience prolonged pain or swelling.
5. If you experience any adverse reaction to the medications, discontinue the medication and contact the office.
6. You may receive a recall card, which will allow us to monitor the progress of your treatment. Schedule an appointment for the recall when you receive this card. The recall visit is provided at no charge to you.
7. We wish to express our appreciation for the confidence you have placed in us. We would like to maintain that confidence. Please contact the receptionist or the doctor directly, if you feel we can serve you better.