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## Information About Sedation Dentistry

- Sedation will provide you a way of getting your dental work done while completely relaxed and comfortable.
- Sedation is achieved with the use of various oral sedatives (triazolam, loraxepam, and hydroxyzine) and often nitrous oxide (commonly referred to as laughing gas).
- Sedation is NOT general anesthesia, there are no IV's or injections.
- You will NOT be 'knocked out'
- Sedation allows you to be conscious and responsive
- You will be very relaxed and possibly sleepy
- You will be able to verbalize your needs and wants
- You will be monitored during your entire appointment with blood pressure and pulse oximetry
- Someone will be with you at all times
- The sedatives used are amnesiacs -- you may have little to no memory of the experience
- The sedatives are used to relax your nervous system, so you will feel little to no discomfort and will probably not require any pain medication post-operatively
- You will continue to relax the rest of the day and into the evening and a responsible companion should be with you until the following day.