

ORAL SEDATION - ADULT

Oral Conscious Sedation is a sedation technique which allows us to be able to help our patients reduce their anxiety and forget being at the office using an Oral Medication. On adults we use predominantly a medication called Halcion (Triazolam) and on occasion a medication called Ativan (Lorazepam). These medications are similar to the medication Valium in the relief of anxiety and have a stronger amnesic effect.

When you arrive in our office, you will be escorted into the treatment room, have your Blood Pressure and Pulse measured, and placed on a monitor to watch your vital signs. Your Doctor will give you the medication mixed with warm water. A member of our team will offer you a warm blanket, a pillow, a magazine, head phones and allow you to relax. After you are comfortable, Your Doctor and the experienced clinical team at will take care of your dental needs.

You'll be sedated just enough to be unaware of the treatment, as if you were relaxing. You'll wake up refreshed, with little or no memory of what was accomplished. Because you are completely comfortable, doctor can do years of dental treatments in as little as one or two visits.

When your treatment is completed, your companion will return you home to finish your comfortable, relaxing day.

Patients who are faced with a heightened level of fear or anxiety, or who require involved dental procedures (like root canals or surgical extraction's) may elect to be sedated for their treatment. Patients who have extremely busy schedules and require multiple procedures may elect to be sedated for a single long appointment rather than multiple ones. Not all general dentists can perform conscious sedation. They are required to complete advanced training before they can perform this form of sedation.

Who is a Candidate for Oral Sedation Dentistry?

People who have . . .

- High fear
- Traumatic dental experiences
- Difficulty getting numb
- A bad gag reflex
- Very sensitive teeth
- Complex dental problems
- Limited time to complete dental care

People who . . .

- Hate needles and shots
- Hate the noises, smells and taste associated with dental care
- Are afraid or embarrassed about their teeth

Imagine being able to smile with confidence and chew your food without pain. No wonder so many patients say: "Thank you. Oral Sedation dentistry changed my life."

Frequently Asked Questions

Will I feel any pain?

No. You will feel nothing!

Will I be unconscious or sleeping?

No, you will be in a deeply relaxed state, and you will be responsive.

Will I be monitored?

Yes, one of our team is always with you and your vital signs are monitored during the entire visit. You are never alone.

How long will I be relaxing?

Depending on your needs, from two to six hours.

Will someone need to accompany me?

Yes, due to the sedative effects of the medication, you will need someone to drive you to our office and home again.

Can I Bring my own music and Magazines?

Yes, Please feel free to bring in the things that make you comfortable.

Can I eat or drink anything before my visit?

It is best to avoid eating if possible for 6 hours prior to your visit.