

It is important that you read and understand the information below. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask any of our helpful staff. We are here to ensure your child's dental needs are met in a pleasant and safe environment.

1. If your child has been sick with a fever, nasal congestion, coughing, or sneezing within seven (7) days of scheduled procedure or there are any other changes to their health, please notify the dental office as soon as possible at the phone number listed below.
2. You and your child will be at the center for approximately two to four hours. That is the average time for this process, from intake until leaving the center. A parent or guardian must remain on the premises for the entire time the child is being treated. If an emergency were to happen, we must be able to reach you immediately.
3. Your child may arrive dressed in pajamas, if preferred. You may also bring a small toy and small personal blanket to make them more comfortable. Also, bring what you will need for the day (phone charger, medication, snack, etc.).
4. It is particularly important that your child have nothing to eat or drink for at least eight (8) hours prior to arrival to the center. If there is anything in the stomach when anesthesia is given, it can be dangerous for your child.
5. Your child can receive a liquid medication by mouth to help relax and ease anxiety.
6. You will remain with your child until it is time to go to the operating room. At that time, you will be shown to the waiting room until surgery is completed.
7. In the operating room, the anesthesiologist will use gas to put them to sleep.
8. Once surgery is over, the dentist will come to the reception area to speak with you about the procedure and discharge instructions. If you have questions, please ask the dentist during this time.
9. When awake, your child will be offered a popsicle or Gatorade to ensure they can eat or drink without vomiting. Once this occurs, the nurse will remove the IV so that may get dress to go home.
10. If possible, have an additional responsible person available at discharge to tend to child's needs while driver concentrates on safely operating vehicle.
11. Please make sure you bring your child's car safety seat with you on surgery day. This is required by state law to ensure your child's safety.