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POST-OPERATIVE PROCEDURE INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for allowing us to treat your child today. Today your child had a dental procedure completed that required their tooth to be numb. You're child's teeth, lips, and cheeks are numb in the area circled below...

UPPER RIGHT	UPPER FRONT	UPPER LEFT
LOWER RIGHT	LOWER FRONT	LOWER LEFT

Please watch your child until his or her mouth is no longer numb. Some children will bite on their lips and cheeks while they are numb. This can cause trauma to the area and cause their mouth to be swollen and very sore. In rare instances infection could develop.

If your child does bite his or her lip, the area will likely bleed some and become swollen. The area may also have a whitish appearance as it heals. This is normal, but if the area is excessively swollen it could be a sign of infection. We recommend a soft diet, avoiding salty, spicy, or acidic (such as orange juice) foods until the area heals, which is normally in 10-14 days. You may give your child children's Tylenol if needed.

We also recommend a soft diet on the day of your child's dental procedure. You should avoid hard, sticky, or sharp foods, such as chips. The numbness should wear off in about two hours, but this can vary for each child.

PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL OUR OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. 316-613-2077