

# CARE OF THE MOUTH AFTER LOCAL ANESTHETIC

\*The teeth, lips and surrounding tissue, and sometimes the tongue, will be numb or asleep.

\*Your child should be watched carefully so he/she does not injure his/her lips, tongue or cheek by scratching, chewing, sucking or rubbing while they feel numb or asleep.

\*Monitor your child closely for approximately two hours following the appointment. It is often wise to keep your child on a liquid diet until the anesthetic has worn off.

\*Often this numb/buzzing sensation will be perceived by the child as pain.

\*You should use some Tylenol/Advil to help in this recovery period.

\*Please do not hesitate to call the office if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Dr. Swain