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"Anesthesia for Dentistry"

Planning for Your Dental Anesthesia Appointment
Important Information You Should Know

Dear Patient,

Because of the nature of your planned dental procedure or because of your level of anxiety and apprehension, your dentist has recommended that your dental treatment be carried out using intravenous (I.V.) sedation provided by a hospital-trained dentist anesthesiologist. The medications used will allow you to "relax" through the procedure in a controlled and monitored setting, freeing your dentist to provide you with the highest quality of dental care.

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you information about the services I, as your dentist anesthesiologist, provide that will enable you to achieve a positive experience during your dental treatment. My mission is to provide the highest standards of patient care and safety in the comfortable, convenient, and familiar surroundings of your own dentist's office.

Accompanying this letter you will find several forms:

- *Medical/Health History*
- *Pre-anesthesia and Post-anesthesia Instructions*
- *Informed Consent for Anesthesia*
- *Financial Agreement for Dental Anesthesia*

Please read the enclosed forms, sign and date each of them, and leave them at your dentist's office. Because of the extensive time, effort, and coordination necessary in scheduling, I require a **non-refundable deposit of \$500** for patients 12 years old and older. This deposit must be paid before your appointment will be confirmed.

Prior to your appointment—usually the evening before—I will personally phone you at home. At that time I will review your health history with you, explain the treatment in careful detail, and answer any questions that you might have concerning your treatment.

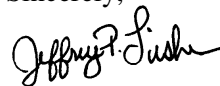
Please read the following instructions pertaining to the day of your treatment:

- *Please wear loose, comfortable pants and a short-sleeved shirt.*
- *Please arrange for a responsible adult to accompany you to your appointment.*
- *You must **not** have anything to eat or drink for **at least eight hours** prior to your appointment. This is vitally important to insure your safety during the administration of the anesthesia. This is so important that **if you should eat or drink something**, I would have to cancel the appointment and you would forfeit your \$500 deposit.*

On the day of treatment, a limited physical exam, which includes listening to your heart sounds, lungs sounds, and examining your airway, will be performed. Once in the treatment room, leads monitoring your heart activity, blood pressure, blood oxygen level, and respiration will be applied and an I.V. will be established. Medications will be given slowly through the I.V. until you are totally relaxed and comfortable. For the majority of the procedure you will actually be able to respond to your dentist with regard to head and mouth position. However, at the conclusion of the procedure you will have only a foggy recollection of your time in the chair and most likely will not remember anything about the actual dental procedure. After completing your treatment, your dentist and I will personally give you appropriate post-operative instructions.

If you are unsure of anything or have additional questions, you may reach me directly at (916) 390-3673 or go to my Web site at www.AnesthesiaForLittlePeople.com. I look forward to serving you with the highest quality of care and safety in the near future.

Sincerely,



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