

# ORAL SEDATION DENTISTRY

Oral Sedation Dentistry is one of the available methods of sedation and utilizes pills or liquid medications. The desired result is a pleasant and relaxed dental experience. Depending on the medication, you may have a sleepy, amnesia-like experience with little memory of the dental procedures themselves.

## Frequently Asked Questions

1. *Who is a candidate for Oral Sedation Dentistry?*

Anyone who has fear and anxiety about dental treatment is a candidate. Anyone who has a strong gag reflex, or has put off dental care for years because of dental anxieties or certain medical conditions could benefit from oral sedation.

2. *What are the benefits of Oral Sedation Dentistry?*

Multiple procedures can be efficiently performed in one appointment without undergoing heightened physical stress, a gag response or anxiety. Often the sedated patient can have most of the dental care completed in one or two visits. Anxiety and pain are safely eliminated.

3. *What can I expect from Oral Sedation Dentistry?*

Medication will be taken prior to the dental procedure. After arrival, the doctor will assess the level of sedation and the need for additional medication. Treatment will begin when adequate sedation is achieved. Vital signs will be continuously monitored for your safety. You must have a driver to and from the appointment, and plan on resting for the remainder of the day.