PRE-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

Your surgery is scheduled for: ________________________________________________________________

Surgery Cost: __________________________    Estimated Patient Responsibility: _________________

For your convenience, we accept cash, check, Visa, Discover, MasterCard, American Express and Care Credit. We attempt to deliver the finest care at the most reasonable cost to our patients, therefore payment is due at the time service is rendered unless other arrangements have been made in advanced. Please remember you are fully responsible for all fees charged by this office, whether or not your insurance pays for it. **Please apply for Care Credit prior to your surgery and bring your approval to your appointment.

Currently we are in network with the following insurance companies:
- Delta Dental PPO, Premiere, and HMO
- Guardian
- Principal/Ameritas/Standard
- Cigna RADIUS
- Medicaid (less than 21 years old)
- Medicare (limited coverage for procedures related to the mouth)

If you do not have insurance with the any of the companies listed above, we are happy to file your insurance claim on your behalf. Your estimated fee above is based on our usual and customary fees. You will be billed for any difference in fees your insurance does not pay.

Please note the estimated patient responsibility is not a guaranteed payment from your insurance company. The final patient responsibility is determined after the insurance company processes the claim. For more information please visit our Financial and Insurance Information page at www.bvoms.com.

Occasionally, patients require additional drugs or materials to stop bleeding. If these agents are used you will be billed separately.

Please call our office if you have any questions at 979-764-7101

IV SEDATION

**Your driver and vehicle MUST STAY for the entire surgery.**

**If being sedated, do NOT eat or drink six hours prior to surgery, this includes water (unless taking antibiotics, cardiac or blood pressure medications).**

**IV Sedation is useful and recommended for many procedures, however due to recent healthcare changes many insurance companies do not pay for sedation.**
It is recommended that you bring a responsible adult with you who will not only be driving you home but also prepared to take care of you the day of surgery. At least one parent or guardian must be with a child or minor under the age of 18.

Get a good night’s sleep before surgery.

You should wear loose fitting, comfortable clothing with short sleeves. Do not wear a tight collar or necktie. False eyelashes or contact lenses should not be worn. The medications will be given through an IV in your arm and local anesthesia will also be given. If possible, remove nail polish.

**Antibiotics:**

If your doctor has prescribed antibiotics for you, please take them according to the instructions on the bottle. For those patients who are not eating or drinking for sedation purposes, you should take your medicine with only a small sip of water.

**Prescription Mouth Wash:**

If you have been prescribed a mouth rinse prior to surgery, you should begin to use it 2-5 days prior to surgery. Rinse for 30 seconds and then spit out 2 times a day after breakfast and before bed. Ideally, you should brush your teeth prior to using the rinse.

**Heart and Blood Pressure Medications:**

*PLEASE TAKE ALL CARDIAC AND BLOOD PRESSURE MEDICATIONS AS REGULARLY SCHEDULED THE MORNING OF YOUR SURGERY.* If being sedated, take the medications with a small sip of water.

Please take all of your routine medications the morning of surgery *unless told otherwise by the doctor.* Call our office if you are unsure of medication instructions.

**Pain Medications:**

Often times, if your medical history allows, your doctor will recommend taking ibuprofen in addition to a prescription pain medication (patients with certain gastrointestinal conditions, cardiovascular conditions, pregnancy, asthma, kidney disease, and patients taking other prescription medications are advised to discuss this with your surgeon).

Ibuprofen works not only as an additional pain medication, but also helps control post-operative swelling.

On the *day of your surgery* you may take 2-3 ibuprofen pills (400-600mg) every six hours for the first 24-48 hours. This should be taken with liquids or food to prevent stomach irritation. This should be taken in addition to your prescribed pain medications.

Most post-operative instructions will be given on the day of the surgery.

Proper care following oral surgical procedures will improve recovery and prevent complications. If any unusual symptoms or complications occur, please call our office at once, (979) 764-7101.