

Sedation Information Sheet

Conscious sedation is a very reliable and safe way of reducing your dental anxieties, making your experience more pleasant and relaxing. Conscious sedation is becoming a very popular and safe way of over a range of dental phobias. Sedation will make you feel sleepy and relaxed. Most patients can remember little or nothing of the procedure, but it does not affect any part of your memory before the medicine was given. It is suitable for almost all healthy adults and will be performed safely by our Specially Trained and experienced team at Erskine Dental Care.

Following your sedation, you will be required to stay at the practice for a short time, until the dental surgeon is satisfied that you are safe to be accompanied home by a responsible adult. This is because your judgment may be affected for anything up to the next 24 hours.

For patients who want to be unaware of treatment this is the choice of most patients. Intravenous sedation can be provided in a number of ways producing a very pleasant experience for the patient. Good operating conditions for the dentist combined with fantastic safety. IV sedation is so effective that it is often hard to suggest any other form of dental treatment to those who have experienced it.

This powerful form of anxiety relief and relaxation involves a sedative medicine administered in the back of your hand or arm. Treatment can then be carried out by using the normal local anaesthetic which is given as needed during treatment. However, this is almost never remembered by patients.

What to expect:

- The patient always feels that the time in the surgery is a lot shorter than it really is. IV sedation usually has no unpleasant side effects.
- Depending on the treatment required it can last for anything between just a few minutes to a number of hours.
- Most people think it's fantastic!