



## Sedation Pre-Procedure Instructions

Sedation refers to the administration of Anesthesia medications through an intramuscular (IM) and/or Intravenous (IV) injection. Depending on the age, behavior and anxiety level of your child, an IM injection AND/OR an IV may be administered, the use of Nitrous Oxide (laughing gas) will occasionally accompany the medication administration as well. Great care is taken to provide a comfortable, safe environment for your child. The medications used are expected to reduce anxiety and pain with partial or total amnesia. Amnesia implies that the patient has little or no recollection of what happened during the procedure. The patient is not aware of the smells, sounds, and sights of the procedure or the dental office.

In order for us to confirm your child's sedation appointment it is very important that you speak with both Leap Kids Dental and a member of the anesthesia team. The anesthesia team will be contacting you to review medical history. If Leap Kids Dental is unable to confirm with you at least 2 days prior to your child's appointment, your appointment will be CANCELED. If your child has a cold or cough, please call prior to the appointment.

- The legal guardian of the patient **MUST BE PRESENT** the day of the procedure to sign consents. If the legal guardian cannot be present, LEGAL documentation stating the designation of the responsible party must be on file prior to the day of the procedure.
- **NO SOLID FOOD OR MILK AFTER MIDNIGHT THE EVENING PRIOR TO YOUR CHILD'S APPOINTMENT**
- Your child needs to remain in your care for 8 hours before their appointment to verify the eating and drinking instructions have been followed.
- **NO school or daycare** prior to or after the appointment.
- Your child should wear comfortable loose clothes to the appointment.
- We recommend that you bring another adult or older child with you for assistance during the ride home.