



NITROUS OXIDE TREATMENT

Nitrous oxide, also known as laughing gas, is most often used for children who are mildly or moderately anxious or nervous.

Benefits:

- Reduce or minimized anxiety.
- Reduce untoward movement and reaction to dental treatment.
- Enhance communication and patient cooperation.
- Raise the pain reaction threshold.
- Increase tolerance for longer appointments.
- Reduce gagging.
- Has amnesia effect post treatment
- Aid in treatment of the mentally/physically disabled or medically compromised patient.

Limitations:

- Lack of potency and may not work
- Patient must be able to breathe through the nose
- May not eat, or can only eat a light meal, 2 hours before treatment
- Nausea and vomiting are possible adverse effects

Procedure:

- It eases their fears so that they can relax and receive treatment comfortably and safely.
- Nitrous oxide is administered by placing a small mask over your child's nose.
- Your child will be asked to breathe through his or her nose and not through the mouth.
- As the gas begins to work, the child becomes calm, although he or she is still awake and can talk with the dentist. Your child feet and finger may start to feel tingly.
- When the gas is turned off, the effects of sedation wear off almost immediately. As the child gets older and becomes more comfortable with the dentist, nitrous oxide may not be needed.
- Nitrous oxide is safe, easily taken, and always mixed with oxygen.
- When the treatment is complete, the nitrous oxide is turned off and oxygen is delivered for 5 to 10 minutes to help flush any remaining nitrous gas from the child's body.
- The effects of nitrous oxide should disappear as oxygen is breathed.
- If your child is congested or has trouble breathing through the nose, nitrous oxide may be less effective.
- Sometimes, nitrous oxide can make a child feel nauseous. Therefore, it is best that a child not eat a meal 2 hours before treatment to prevent vomiting.

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Eating or Drinking

No solid foods or heavy meal for two (2) hours prior to appointment.

Clothing

Please wear a loose, short-sleeve shirt. For children who do not wear a diaper or pull up, bringing a change of clothes is advisable. Please do not bring anything valuable or wear any jewelry.

Change in Health and Medications

A change in health, especially the development of a cold or fever, or breathing problems is extremely important. Please notify treating doctors if there is any change in your child health. Prescription medications should be taken as scheduled unless previously directed our doctors.

Fees:

- The discounted fee:
 - 1st nitrous visit is \$100.00,
 - 2nd visit is \$75.00
 - Subsequent visits is \$50.00 each.
- The discounted nitrous fees will re-start every new year.
- There is a \$50.00 fee for each nitrous visit when we are unable to do treatment or when we start with nitrous but finished treatment without the nitrous.
- This \$50.00 fee is in addition to the \$200 failed appointment fee if we are unable to do treatment following the 1st attempt.
- \$50.00 failed appointment fee if patient does not show up for their scheduled appointment, or cancellation/reschedule less than 48 hours, due to any unforeseen reasons.

Warning: Nitrous have been known to cause spontaneous abortion in some pregnant mothers. Therefore, we recommend expecting mothers not to be in the room with nitrous oxide.

I understand the benefits, guidelines, instructions, fees and recommendation for using nitrous oxide and give consent for nitrous oxide treatment on my child.

Patients or Legal Guardian's/Representative Signature

Date

Questions

If you would like to discuss your child's anesthetic before your appointment, you may call Dr. Tran at **909-333-7451**.

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