



## Pre-Op Instructions

**1) Blood thinner-** If you are taking an anti-coagulant (blood thinner such as Coumadin) please notify our office before the surgery. Most people are advised to stop aspirin therapy (unless directed not to by their physician) a week before the procedure. Discuss this with us before the procedure.

**2) Sedation-** If you are taking either an oral sedative (halcion) or being IV sedated for your procedure please do not eat the meal before your appointment. For a morning appointment, refrain from eating breakfast. For an afternoon appointment eat a light breakfast but no lunch. **If you are being sedated, a driver must accompany you to the appointment and wait for your procedure to be finished. You should also be under the care of a friend or loved one for several hours after the procedure, as the effects of the sedative may be long lasting.**

**3) Antibiotic Prophylaxis-** If you have taken an antibiotic prophylaxis before dental treatment please discuss with the office before the day of your procedure.

**4) Allergy-** Please notify us if you have an allergy to any material (latex) or medicines that may be used in the procedure.

**5)** Be sure to wear comfortable clothing to the surgery appointment. Be comfortable, iPods or MP3 players are welcome.

**6)** Do not ignore a head or chest cold when oral surgery is to be performed. Please, call the office if you have any symptoms.