

## CONSCIOUS SEDATION INFORMATION



Our office uses conscious sedation to help your child be more comfortable and relaxed; reducing anxiety during treatment. A relaxed child equals a pleasant experience.

The medication we use is a combination of liquid DEMEROL and PHENERGAN (approx. 4 teaspoons = 15ml). It should be noted that DEMEROL is a sedative with pain killing effects, while PHENERGAN is an antihistamine with sedative effects.

Nitrous Oxide (laughing gas) is also used in conjunction with the medication allowing the administration of local anesthesia without the child's realization. We explain our procedures in "children terms" they will understand during their treatment.

A prescription for the DEMEROL and PHENERGAN will be given to the parent to bring with the child on the day of the appointment. It should be noted that while the shelf life of DEMEROL and PHENERGAN is quite long, the prescription is only valid for a limited time (seven days). The Vienna Rexall Drug Center, (near Panera in Vienna) stocks these drugs per our request. The prescription can be filled at your own pharmacy; however, your pharmacist may need to special order them.

On the day of the appointment, the medication must be brought to the office, **sealed**. We will administer the medication and monitor your child. It is best to have an empty stomach. Although, they may eat a light breakfast of dry cereal or toast (dairy products should be avoided) two hours prior to the appointment. They will be able to eat immediately after the appointment.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

**\*\*Nitrous oxide and Non IV Conscious Sedation are generally not covered by dental insurance.**