

Yakima Pediatric Dentistry
CONSENT FOR SEDATION

Patient Name: _____

Dear Parent:

Due to your child's anxiety or inability to cooperate for the recommended dental treatment, it is necessary for the dentist to prescribe a sedative for dental treatment to be completed.

The medicine prescribed is called: _____

The amount given to your child depends on your child's weight and age. The medicine will be given one hour before the dental appointment and will begin to take effect soon after this. The medicine will make your child sleepy and unable to walk in a straight line. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT that you do not allow your child to walk or sit by themselves in order to avoid injury to your child from a fall.

Although it is rare, sometimes the medicine will make your child more active. If this happens, we will not be able to complete dental treatment that day, and it will take a couple hours for your child's behavior to return to normal. Other possible side effects include: nausea, vomiting, and allergic reactions. Due to the possibility of nausea, it is important that your child has an empty stomach prior to the dental appointment.

During the appointment, the dentist will most likely also use nitrous oxide gas to help with behavior management.

You must understand that although this medicine is usually effective, it does not work with all children.

The effect of the medicine will last for several hours after the appointment. Most likely your child will remain drowsy or will sleep during this time. If you have any questions, please feel free to discuss them with our staff.

I have read the above and have had all my questions answered.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature: _____

Printed name: _____ Date: _____