## Patient Instructions to follow PRIOR to IV Sedation:

- 1. Please plan to have someone with you for 24 hours after surgery.
- 2. Do not eat or drink after midnight (the night before).
- 3. Wear comfortable loose clothing, preferably short sleeves, no tight fitting T-shirts. Ladies bring a lightweight jacket or sweater and remove all jewelry around the neck. Do not wear high heels as your reflexes may be slowed and walking in high heels may be hazardous.
- 4. Nail polish must be removed.
- 5. All patients who take prescribed medication regularly must know the name of the medicines they use and must bring that medicine with them on the scheduled day of their appointment. \*\*Insulin taking diabetics should take ½ the dose of their insulin in the morning of the dental appointment they will have early schedule priority.
- 6. Ladies do not wear make up. Cosmetics can contaminate the surgical site.
- 7. Patients scheduled for IV sedation should plan to spend a minimum of two hours in the office: a certain portion of that time (1/2 hour to 1 hour) will be spent recovering from the medication given.

## What Should I do AFTER Intravenous Sedation:

Recovery after intravenous sedation is usually prompt and without complications. It is important, however, to take certain precautions to minimize risks:

- 1. I understand that I\* cannot leave alone and should be driven straight home without stopping, even for prescriptions, without Dr. Dameron's approval.
- 2. I understand that I\* cannot be left alone in the car on the way home.
- 3. I understand that I\* cannot stand or walk alone, even to the bathroom, for six hours after discharge from the office.
- 4. I understand that I\* cannot stay by myself for 24 hours after discharge from the office.
- 5. I understand that there is a risk of falling or fainting for up to 24 hours after the last dose of intravenous sedation OR prescription pain medicine. I understand that it can be dangerous to drive during that period. I understand that I may not drink alcoholic beverages while taking prescription pain medicine.
- 6. I understand that I am to contact Dr. Dameron if I have questions or concerns about any of this information.