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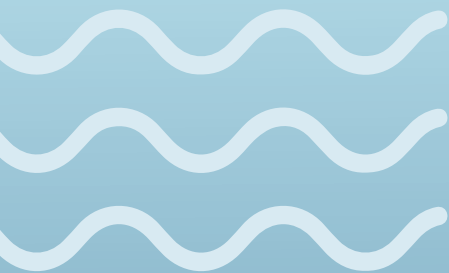
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Oral and dental care is a very serious matter in everyone's life.

Not only is it about appearance, but also about health. In addition to using your teeth to smile, you use them to bite, chew and most importantly, eat.

Knowing everything you do with your teeth will help you understand why it is necessary that throughout life, from childhood to adulthood, you maintain healthy habits that begin with good oral hygiene.

It should be noted that, in the case of children, tooth extractions are necessary for new and strong teeth to appear, but in adulthood in specific cases it is necessary to extract wisdom teeth. Besides these cases, extractions are given for other reasons that are not as friendly as the extraction of wisdom teeth.

Now, let's talk about teeth extractions, if you are lucky enough it would only be a tooth, but this can vary depending on the particular case.

WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT **TOOTH EXTRACTION?**

In most cases it is a very simple procedure and must be performed by a dentist or oral surgeon.

Local anesthesia is used, or if the patient wishes, at Smiles On The Hudson you can request the Sedation service.

In some cases, if the tooth is broken, has been knocked, or is missing from the surface, the procedure may be slightly more complex and will require more care and a higher level of anesthesia or sedation.



WHEN IS AN EXTRACTION NEEDED?

Next we will mention the main cases where the dentist will recommend you, only because it is absolutely necessary, to extract a tooth:

Crowding:

In cases of crowding, it is necessary to extract one or more teeth before and during your orthodontic treatment allowing the dentist to align your smile.

Infection:

When tooth decay exceeds the surface of the tooth and begins to affect the nerves and a root canal treatment couldn't save it, it is absolutely necessary to extract the tooth.

Risk of infection

When people are struggling with complex diseases that involve organs and the immune system, the minimal risk of infection is a reason to extract the tooth.

WHAT IS THE PROCEDURE LIKE?

To extract a tooth, the procedures are classified in two types: Simple and Surgical.

Simple:

This type of extraction is used in very simple cases. Local anesthesia is applied to numb the area around the tooth so that you will not feel any pain. Once the area is numb, the dentist proceeds to extract the tooth using a specific instrument and some force to remove it.

But don't worry, the area is numb and you won't feel a thing.

Surgical:

In certain cases, the extraction may be more complex since the dentist or oral surgeon will need to make a cut in the gum to reach the bone and be able to extract the tooth. For these cases, intravenous anesthesia is used and if you would like sedation service you can request it in our dental office.

**Exams, photos and x-rays will be needed to know what type of procedure you need.*

You can ask for the New Patient Special in Smiles On The Hudson which includes a professional cleaning and the necessary exams to know the current state of your dental health.

COMPLICATIONS, RISKS AND HEALING PROCESSES

Depending on the degree of complexity of the extraction, the risks and complications may be:

- Bleeding
- Numbness of the area
- Headache
- Swelling
- Fever
- Risk of infection if the cares indicated by the specialist are not taken.

Among the main care after tooth extraction we recommend:

- Take the medications indicated by your dentist
- Avoid eating or biting food or things that can affect the wound and the healing process. Depending on the case, the dentist will recommend a specific time to eat solid foods again.
- Rest and avoid physical activity
- Do not drink alcohol or smoke
- Brush and floss as usual but avoiding the extraction area
- If you have any complications, call your dentist immediately.

Oral and dental health begin with good hygiene. If you need help to improve your dental hygiene, you can book an appointment with our hygienist and we will help you improve and maintain good habits over time.

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