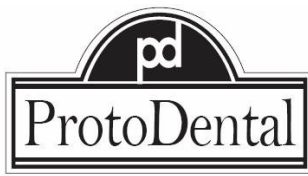


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PRE - OP INSTRUCTIONS FOR SINUS AUGMENTATION

- Premedicate with two, 875mg tablets of Augmentin 1 hour before your surgery, then take 1 tablet daily for 7 days.
- If you are allergic to Augmentin, Amoxicillin, or Penicillin, premedicate with Azithromycin (Zithromax) instead. Take two 250mg tablets 1 hour before your surgery, then take 1 tablet daily, for 4 days.
- If you take aspirin on a daily basis, stop taking it for 7 days prior to your surgery. Consult with your physician prior to stopping the aspirin.
- 400mg of ibuprofen (Advil or Motrin) is recommended 1 hour prior to the surgery.
- Wear comfortable clothing. Sinus Augmentation can take up to 1 hour.



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POST - OP INSTRUCTIONS FOR SINUS AUGMENTATION

- Continue your antibiotic, following the instructions on your prescription.
- Bite on the cotton gauze for 15 minutes. This is intended to stop the bleeding. If the bleeding persists, bite down firmly on the gauze for an additional 15 minutes. A tea bag can be substituted for gauze.
- Place an ice pack on the outside of your cheek/chin adjacent to the surgical site for several hours. This will minimize the swelling.
- No exercising, heavy lifting, bending or physical activity for 1 week.
- Sleep with you head elevated on 3-4 pillows for 1 week.
- Do not blow your nose for 1 week. The pressure from blowing your nose could disrupt the healing process, disturb the graft and cause complications. If you feel nasal or sinus congestion, take Sudafed to keep these passages clear.
- Do not sneeze forcefully for 1 week. We realize sneezing is an involuntary action and can not be prevented, however, if you have to sneeze do it as gently as possible.
- **No** smoking, spitting or rinsing for 24 hours following the surgery. These activities will disrupt the initial healing process.
- Once 24 hours has elapsed, rinse with 1 teaspoon of salt in a glass of warm water. Do this as often as you can (4-6 times a day) for 1 week.
- Once 24 hours has elapsed, rinse with 1 ounce of Peridex, 2 times a day (preferably in the morning and right before bedtime) for 1 week.
- You can brush your teeth normally, just use caution when you are next to the surgical site. If your jaw or temporomandibular joint is sore, it is not necessary to open wide while brushing. Proper oral hygiene will prevent complications.
- Dentures, transitional or removable temporaries are not to be worn for 2-7 days following the surgery. The pressure of these appliances can cause micro-motion of the graft and will lead to failure. After 2-7 days, these appliances should be worn as little as possible and should certainly not be worn while sleeping.
- Chew on the other side until further notice. Follow a soft, but nutritious diet until you are examined again. Avoid hard, crunchy and crusty foods. Avoid foods with seeds.
- Do not play with or try to remove the stitches. They will be removed in 7-10 days in the office.
- Bruising of your cheek or chin is a possibility. It is not as indication of something gone wrong. It will resolve itself without treatment.
- Any complications, call the office or Dr Proto's cell # @ 631-848-4396.