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Post-operative Care after Extractions

- Bite on gauze placed over extraction site for 30 minutes to stop any bleeding.
 If bleeding continues, replace gauze and continue to apply pressure.
- Do not rinse your mouth the day of surgery. Tomorrow morning, start rinsing gentrly with warm salt water (1/2 teaspoon salt to 1 cup water), every 4 hours for 2 days.
- Swelling An ice bag or a cold moist cloth should periodically be applied to facial area.

Maintain a soft diet for the remainder of the day. For at least 24 hours DO NOT:

- Smoke
- · Drink through a straw
- · Drink alcohol, carbonated beverages, or hot liquids
- · Blow your nose
- · Spit excessively

Call the office if:

- · Pain, discomfort or bleeding worsens
- · Small sharps bone fragments work up during healing, causing discomfort

Please take any medications as instructed.