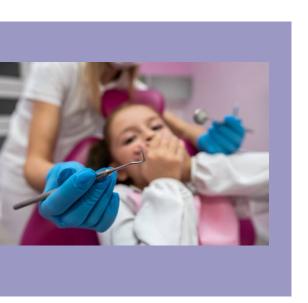
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# **SEDATION IN DENTISTRY**





Sedatives are drugs that are given to the patients prior to or during a dental surgery and can range from mild to severe. Sedation dentistry allows you to undergo any dental procedure, including extractions, root canal therapy, and dental implant implantation, without discomfort.



## **ADVANTAGES**

### **Easing Discomfort or Anxiety**

Sedation eliminates dental anxiety and ensures that the patient is comfortable throughout the process.

#### **Ensuring a Painless Treatment**

Mild sedatives lessen the dread of local anaesthesia injections and the pain associated with needles.

Moderate sedation is taking a medication to keep the patient calm and relaxed during the entire procedure.

#### **Speedy Dental Procedures**

With sedation dentistry, a patient can relax while the dental practitioner begins the procedure immediately. A calm environment saves time during a dental appointment and guarantees that the patient receives better treatment.

#### **Improved Quality of Life**

Anxiety over a dental appointment might have a severe impact on life prior to the visit due to traumatic events in past dental experiences. This outlook is changed when choosing sedation process.

#### Managing the Gag Reflex and Sensitivity

Gagging is a natural reflex that stops and prevents hazardous substances from entering your airway. When you have a strong gag reflex, dental treatment may be difficult, especially for your molars. In some cases, anaesthesia is used to reduce the gag reflex and disrupt the dental treatment process. Sedation dentistry is aimed at making the patient feel calm, relaxed and at ease during dental procedures to reduce dental anxiety.

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