

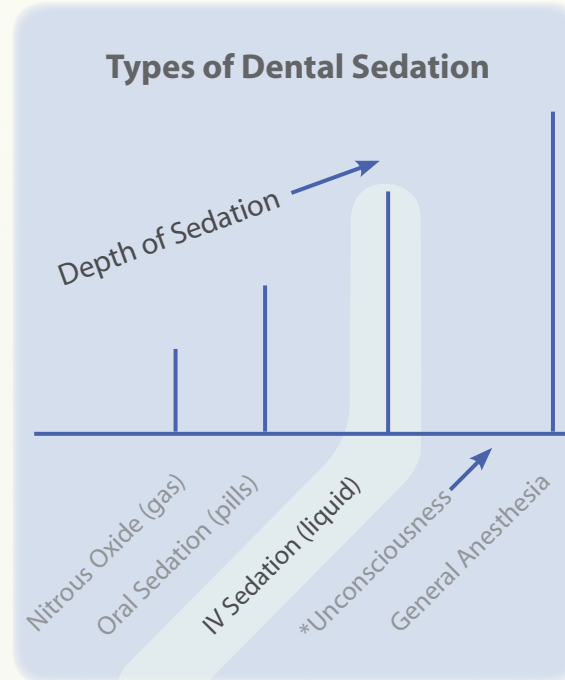
It's estimated that 23 million people do not go to the dentist because of fear.

– What is Intravenous Sedation? –

Intravenous (IV) sedation is the state-of-the-art technique for the comprehensive control of pain and anxiety in dentistry. Intravenous sedation uses sedative drugs that are delivered through the blood stream. Intravenous sedation's superior results make it the method of choice for the treatment of the highly fearful patient and those patients that want to be very comfortable during treatment. Because of the kinds of drugs used and the method of their delivery, IV Sedation allows the dentist to control the drugs' effects precisely. Techniques are constantly being refined to insure patient comfort and safety. We utilize one of the most advanced drug delivery systems available today.

— Our Office is Unique —

The use of IV Sedation in dentistry is carefully regulated by the Dental Board of California. To perform these advanced sedative techniques special university training and clinical experience are required. The educational and special equipment requirements are so stringent that less than 2% of general dentists in California have a permit to perform the procedures. The office must be specially equipped with emergency equipment and drugs. An in-office inspection is required of each dentist issued a permit. The office has state-of-the-art patient monitoring equipment to assure your comfort and safety during sedation. The office contains more emergency equipment and drugs than required by law, and the staff constantly trains to provide the highest level of sedation care.



*Unconsciousness in medical terms is when the patient loses all self-protective responses. This means that the patient cannot move, and has no response to pain, and has labored breathing, and brain functions are severely depressed. Intravenous Sedation never crosses the line to unconsciousness. This provides the great deal of safety that Intravenous Sedation is known for.

– Is IV Sedation Safe? –

Dr. Stanley Malamed, Professor of Anesthesia and Medicine, University of Southern California School of Dentistry calls IV Sedation one of the safest of all sedative techniques. "While any sedative technique carries a degree of risk, the drugs used and their slow delivery, accompanied by modern monitoring equipment, make IV Sedation extremely safe."

Advanced IV Equipment



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This monitor samples CO2 from the nose. The waves indicate the quality and rate of the patient's breathing. It is the most sophisticated monitor of breathing available. Dr. Gagne has used this technology since 1993. He is the only IV Sedation practitioner in Ventura County that uses this advanced monitoring technique.



Bard OS50 Continuous Infusion Pump

This device continuously delivers sedative medications into the IV line during the sedation session. The effect is that the patient remains evenly and comfortably sedated throughout extended procedures. This method is ideally suited to long dental appointments where multiple procedures are performed. It is the most advanced method of medication delivery.

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