## **Root Canal Post-op Instructions**

After root canal is completed some pain and minor swelling is normal. You may still temporarily have feeling in the tooth that was worked as well as sensitivity or tenderness that could last for a couple weeks.

- If you are taking an antibiotic, continue taking it until gone.
- Take an anti-inflammatory (Advil, ibuprofen, Naproxen) before numbness goes away.
- If you have any excessive pain or swelling, please call us (770-889-8420).

A crown (protective restorative covering) and buildup (filling that provides foundation for crown and seals off root canal) will need to be done within a couple weeks after the root canal is completed. This is very important because the tooth becomes brittle after a root canal is completed making it susceptible to breaking. We may be able to do the crown and buildup on the same day as the root canal but occasionally we need to wait a week or two for the tooth to heal.

Patient Signature	 Date
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