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Root Canal Treatment Post Operative Instructions:

Your root canal treatment may take one or more visits to complete. During treatment, the diseased pulp will be removed, the canal will be cleaned, shaped, and filled to prevent recontamination. This document will answer some of your questions about what to expect and how to take care of your mouth during and after the procedure.

What to Expect After Treatment

- Because cleaning the root canals may cause inflammation of tissues surrounding the tooth, you may experience some discomfort for a day or so.
- Over the counter analgesics usually alleviate the discomfort. If the discomfort continues, or if you have severe pain or swelling, call us for re-evaluation and a prescription.
- Between appointments, a temporary filling or crown is placed. Since temporary restorations eventually loosen, return promptly following root canal treatment for a final restoration.
- Sometimes antibiotics are prescribed to help control infection. Please take all medications as directed.

How to Take Care of Your Mouth

- Avoid chewing or biting directly on the treated tooth until your final restoration is placed.
- If medications are prescribed, take them as directed
- Return for a follow up exam after treatment as directed to make sure there has been proper healing of tissues surrounding the root.

Retreatment May Occasionally be Necessary

Even though the pulp or the tooth is removed, your tooth is still nourished from surrounding tissues. As with any living tissue, treatment is occasionally unsuccessful, and a re-treatment, or removal of the tooth may be necessary.

Yours in Good Health

Dr. Dogus and Staff