

Salivary duct/gland, sialolith or ranula

“Routine Post Operative Instructions following Oral Surgery” should be followed, in addition to these special instructions unique to your surgery.

DIET AND NUTRITION

To encourage and promote the normal flow of saliva you can suck on sour candies, drink lemonade or sour drinks.

SUTURES

Self dissolving sutures are routinely used. These will release or dissolve in **1 – 6 weeks**. Loose sutures may be carefully trimmed. If the incision is gaping open you need to contact our office.

FOLLOW-UP APPOINTMENT

You may require a follow up appointment after your surgery. This appointment may already be made for you, or you may be instructed to contact our office to schedule it. **Please follow the instruction given you the day of your surgery.** If the prearranged appointment is not suitable, please contact our office to change your date or time.

If you have any questions or problems, do not hesitate to call our office at 454-6565 or 1-800-379-9474. If your call is not answered by the answering service, hang up and call again in five minutes. We apologize for this inconvenience as the lines may be occupied by other callers. There is an Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon on call **ALL HOURS OF THE DAY.**

WE PREFER THAT YOU CALL OUR OFFICE FIRST RATHER THAN YOUR OWN DENTIST OR FAMILY DOCTOR. However, if you are experiencing severe bleeding or breathing problems requiring IMMEDIATE ATTENTION, please proceed to the nearest Emergency Department or Dial 911.

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