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**POST-OP INSTRUCTIONS FOR STAINLESS STEEL CROWNS**

1. Your child will be numb for 2-3 hours in the area of the crown. Watch carefully so that the child doesn't irritate these areas or bite the lip or cheek.
2. Gums may bleed 2-3 days, clean regardless. Gently brush and massage (rub) gums around the cheek and tongue side. Floss gently to remove food particles. A wash cloth is best to use for massaging. To speed healing process, use warm salt water rinses after meals and before bedtime. Normal brushing should begin after 24 hours.
3. NEVER permit your child to have bubble gum, toffee, jelly beans, or caramels, etc. These things can pull the crown off the tooth. Call us immediately if the crown does come off, we can replace it or re-cement the old one.
4. Normal dosages of Tylenol should combat any post-operative discomfort.
5. Your child should heal normally if you follow these instructions. Please feel free to call our office if you have any questions.