Post-op instructions for Apicoectomy Surgery

- 1. Continue to take prescription and over the counter medications as directed.
- 2. Have a light schedule for the next 48 hours. No exercise or strenuous activities.
- 3. Please brush gently when getting close to the area.
- 4. Avoid oral rinses for 48 hours as it may cause bleeding.
- 5. If prescribed an antibiotic, please continue to take as directed. We recommend probiotics be taken daily with antibiotic use.
- 6. We will provide ice packs. Use on and off every 20 minutes until bedtime.
- 7. Take any pain medications as directed for the first 24 hours and then as needed.
- 8. Decrease or minimize smoking as this can prolong healing. If you must smoke, cover the area with wet gauze.
- 9. Avoid extremely hot temperature food or drink and do not eat spicy, crunchy or acidic foods or drinks for the first 48 hours.
- 10. Avoid straws for 48 hours after surgery and no spitting as this can dislodge the clot.
- 11. Avoid alcohol, coffee and black tea for 48 hours.
- 12. Use an extra pillow and keep your head elevated the first 24 hours after surgery.
- 13. Use an old pillow case or cover pillow with a towel to avoid stains.
- 14. No nose blowing for 48 hours after surgery. Use Afrin if needed. If you need to sneeze, you must sneeze with your mouth open.
- 15. Please call our office with any questions or concerns 404-264-1944

Antibiotic given:	start:	
Please take probiotics while on antibiotic	cs. Take an hour or two before or after antib	iotic
Pain meds given:	to take as needed after sur	gery

