## AFTER ROOT CANAL TREATMENT

- □ IT IS NORMAL FOR THE AREA TREATED TO BE SORE AND TENDER FOR SEVERAL DAYS.
- BE EXTREMELY CAREFUL CHEWING. YOU WILL BE NUMB FOR SEVERAL HOURS.

## TO HELP YOU HEAL MORE QUICKLY, PLEASE FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS:

- CHEW AWAY AND LIGHTLY FROM THE AREA TREATED FOR SEVERAL DAYS.
- TAKE <u>ALL</u> ANTIBIOTICS AS PRESCRIBED BY DR. MIHLE.
  - TO OFFSET UPSET STOMACH, USE ACIDOPHILUS (OTC) PILLS FROM THE PHARMACY, OR YOGURT.
  - START YOUR SECOND ROUND OF ANTIBIOTICS 2 (TWO) DAYS BEFORE YOUR RETURN VISIT/APPOINTMENT.
- □ TAKE OTC MEDICATIONS FOR DISCOMFORT:
  - 2 x 200mg MOTRIN
     2 x 200mg ADVIL
     3 TIMES A DAY
  - EXTRA STRENGTH TYLENOL
  - ALEVE

□ TAKE STRONGER PAIN MEDICATION PRESCRIBED BY DR. MIHLE ONLY IF NECESSARY.

## HOT SALT WATER SOAKINGS:

~ TAKE A SMALL GLASS OF WATER, AND MICROWAVE 10-15 SECONDS TILL HOT (NOT SCALDING). ADD A DASH OR TWO OF SALT. TAKE A SIP, AND TILT YOUR HEAD TO THE SIDE OF THE AFFECTED AREA. HOLD FOR 10 SECONDS.

REPEAT 6 TIMES A DAY FOR 5 DAYS.

□ IF SWELLING OCCURS, PLEASE CALL 910-343-3333 or 877-671-6700.

Thank you for this opportunity to care for you.

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