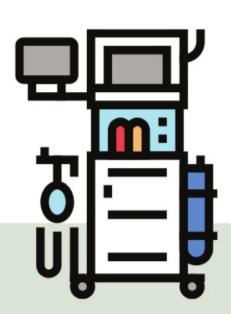
# **Tooth** + **Tongue**

Dental Anesthesia Surgical Suites

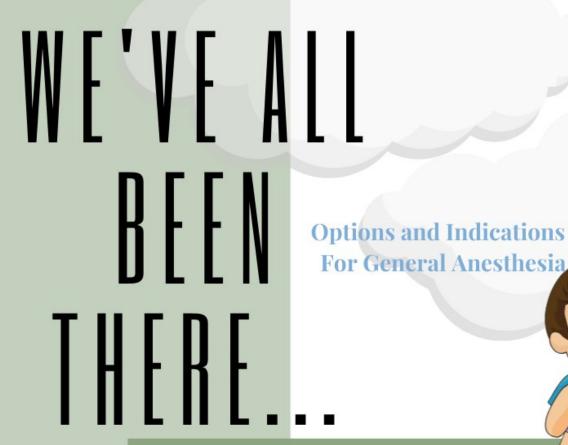




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Most children under the age of seven have not developed the cognitive skills to cooperate in the dental chair.

Our options are limited in the dental office. We do not want to traumatize the patients by using restraints. So, we try various behavioral techniques such as humor, distraction, and tell-show-do methods.

When all else fails, you have the final option of general anesthesia at Tooth + Tongue. We will sedate your patient safely, complete the procedure and refer your patient back to you for their continuing dental care.



## **Managing Risks**

Our anesthesia providers have all completed a hospital-based specialty dental or medical anesthesiology residency program and have completed thousands of cases.

Our staff are all PALS certified and trained in airway management.

We take pride in our state-of-the-art surgical suites and utilize monitoring devices that allow us to evaluate our patient's cardiac and respiratory status throughout the procedure.

Safety and comfort are our goal for patients. All of our patients will obtain a consultation prior to their anesthesia appointment and if needed will also be asked to obtain a medical clearance from their PCP.



## How is Anesthesia chosen?

The Tooth + Tongue anesthesia team uses a variety of sedation modalities including, nitrous oxide, intravenous sedation, and inhalation general anesthesia. Our goal is to make the procedure as comfortable and safe as possible.

Our anesthesiologists and nurses create an anesthesia plan based off each patient's airway, medical history, and specific needs.

#### **Indication for General Anesthesia**

- Children and Toddlers
- Dental Phobia
- Extensive Dental Treatment
- Failed Communicative Techniques
- Failed nitrous and Oral Conscious Sedation (OCS)
- Underdeveloped cognitive function due to age or medical conditions
- Uncooperative Behavior
- · Difficulty getting numb with local anesthesia





#### What is the Process after Referral?

- Fill out the Referral Form and send it back to Tooth+ Tongue Dental
- Tooth + Tongue will make a consultation appointment with your patient and request additional information if needed
- Tooth + Tongue will attain any pre-authorization needed for medical or dental.
- Surgery will be completed and the patient will be referred back to your office for continuing care
- A treatment report will be sent to your office indicating all treatment that was completed.