

Parents in Dental Treatment Rooms

1. In order to best assess a potential patient's ability to tolerate and/or cooperate for dental procedures parents are not allowed in the treatment room during the initial patient assessment with the exception of children age 2 and under.
2. Children who are unable to cooperate and/or tolerated required procedures including, but not limited to, sitting in the treatment chair, x-rays, cleaning, and/or fluoride treatments will be referred to a pediatric dentist for further assessment.
3. Children who exhibit a high level of apprehensiveness will be referred to a pediatric dentist for further assessment.
4. Patients whose parents desire to be in the treatment room for the initial patient assessment will be referred to a pediatric dentist for further assessment.
5. Parents will accompany the patient to the dental treatment room prior to the initial invasive procedure to be performed by the dentist. Once the parent and dentist agree upon the initial treatment the parent will return to the waiting room while the procedure is performed. At subsequent visits the parent will be asked to accompany the child to the treatment room at the dentist's discretion.
6. Parents will accompany the patient to the treatment room prior to any extraction/endodontic procedure at which time informed consent will be signed by the parent and post-operative instructions will be delivered. Parents will return to the waiting room prior to an extraction procedure being performed.
7. Patients who are unable to cooperate/tolerate operative and/or extraction procedure will be referred to a pediatric dentist for further evaluation.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Witness/Translator Signature

Date