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### **Numbness Post-Operative Instructions:**

- The sensation of being numb after the appointment is typically the most challenging aspect for a child to understand. Monitor your child closely so that he/she does not bite their tongue, cheek or lips - if this does happen, no treatment is necessary, but the lip may swell and turn white.
- It will take 1-3 hours for the numbness to wear off. During this time, your child should only eat soft foods on the opposite side of the mouth.

### **White Filling and White Crown Instructions:**

- Avoid using front teeth to bite directly into hard food such as apples, carrots and corn on the cob. Also avoid sticky or hard candies to prevent breaking fillings and crowns. Although they are cemented to the tooth, these sticky foods can cause the crown or filling to fracture. **Fractured white crowns will not be replaced without a charge.**
- Limit drinking or eating dark colored beverages and foods as this may cause staining and discoloration of the resin material.
- It is important to note that white fillings and crowns are prone to recurrent decay (new decay around the filling margin) and it should be brushed and flossed like a natural tooth.