RECOMMENDED FOOD LIST FOLLOWING DENTAL SURGERY

We advise patients to plan ahead and buy some softer foods prior to surgery. The following are examples of SOFT FOOD items to be consumed following any surgical procedure:

- 1. Hearty Soups
- 2. Juices (avoid citrus for a few days)
- 3. Jell-O
- 4. Yogurt (soft or frozen)
- 5. Pudding/Custard
- 6. Soft Fruits (banana, berries, canned peached or pears)
- 7. Applesauce
- 8. Popsicles
- 9. Ice cream
- 10. Fresh Cooked Vegetables
- 11. Fruit Smoothies/Protein Shakes
- 12. Oatmeal/Cream of Wheat
- 13. Eggs (scrambled, soft boiled, egg salad)
- 14. Mashed Potatoes
- 15. Rice, Risotto
- 16. Tofu
- 17. Pasta (plain or with sauce)
- 18. Fish (soft white fish, sole, trout)

The following foods should be AVOIDED for the first 14 days after surgery:

- 1. Spicy foods
- 2. Foods with small seeds or pieces
- 3. Foods that are difficult to chew (steak, poultry, deli meats)
- 4. Crunchy foods (popcorn, pretzels, potato chips)
- 5. Hard foods (crusty breads, bagels, cookies)
- 6. Alcoholic beverages