

ABOUT NITROUS OXIDE (LAUGHING GAS)

Preview Image

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There are many advantages to using Nitrous Oxide

- The depth of sedation can be altered at any time to increase or decrease sedation.
- There is no after effect such as a "hangover".
- Inhalation sedation is safe with no side effects on your heart and lungs, etc.
- Inhalation sedation is very effective in minimizing gagging.
- It works rapidly as it reaches the brain within 20 seconds. In as little as 2-3 minutes its relaxation and pain killing properties develop.

There is no absolute contra indication. We do not use this on pregnant women (always let us know if you may be pregnant) and patients with chronic obstructive lung disease.

You may want to ask your dentist for a "5 minute trial" to see how you feel with this type of sedation method before proceeding.

We use it for kids 5 years of age and above.