Prescription Instructions for Surgery

- □ **Halcion (Triazalam)-** This medication is used for sedation. If you choose to be sedated with Halcion you will be seen prior to your surgical appointment for a pre-op appointment where you will be given one tablet to take one and a half hours prior to your surgical appointment, and you will sign a consent form for your specific surgery. You will need a driver to and from your appointment.
- Peridex Mouthrinse-Do not use until day following surgery. Rinse twice a day using a *gentle bathing* rinse. (After breakfast and at bedtime.) This mouthrinse is used to reduce bacteria until you can return to your normal brushing routine.
- □ **Etodolac** Take one tablet one hour prior to appointment *unless you are having IV sedation.* Patients having IV sedation will take their first dose after surgery at home. Take tabs every 8 hours for the first 48 to 72 hours. Continue taking the Etodolac beyond this period of time if necessary. This is an anti-inflammatory pain medication to reduce discomfort and swelling following your dental surgery. All other anti-inflammatory medications should be stopped while taking Etodolac.
- Norco (Hydrocodone with Acetaminophen)- This is a narcotic pain medication. It may or may not be necessary for you to take. It is provided in the event the Etodolac does not adequately control pain. You may alternate doses of the narcotic and Etodolac every 4 hours. This prescription will be given to you at the time of surgery.
- □ **Zithromax (Azithromycin)** Begin this antibiotic the day before surgery appointment. Discontinue cholesterol medications during the 5 days you are taking Zithromax and an additional 5 days afterwards. (stop cholesterol med for 10 days total) As with any antibiotic, Zithromax will interfere with birth control methods and a back up is necessary until your next regular menstrual cycle.
- □ **Amoxicillin-** Begin this antibiotic the day before surgical appointment.
- IV Surgery- Take any high blood pressure medication or anti- seizure medication as usual. If taken in the morning take with a small sip of water. If you are diabetic please check your blood sugar levels the morning of surgery.