

Casas Adobes Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery

Sinus Instructions

Take the following precautions to ensure adequate sinus healing if there is communication between the mouth and the sinus.

It is important to follow these instructions:

- 1. Take medications as directed.
- 2. Avoid any situation which might raise sinus pressure for two weeks; this includes sneezing and blowing your nose. If you sneeze, do so with your mouth open.
- 3. For nasal stuffiness, use nasal decongestants such as Afrin, Neo-Synephrine, etc.
- 4. Do not use a straw.
- 5. Do not smoke. Smoking causes negative pressure and inhibits healing.
- 6. Eat soft foods for several days, and chew on the opposite side as much as possible.
- 7. Do not rinse your mouth vigorously for several days.

It is not uncommon to have a slight amount of bleeding from the nose for several days.

If you have any questions regarding your procedure, please call our office at **(520) 742-6136**. If you call after normal office hours, you will receive our answering service and our on- call doctor will be able to assist you.