

Pediatric Sedation Checklist

- P** **Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS):** Dentist & staff trained? Ask to see current certification.
- E** **Equipment & Emergency Drug Kit:** Ask to see them.
- D** **Drills:** Ask if they perform monthly emergency mock drills.
- I** **Informed Consent Form:** Ask to see it.
- A** **Allergy and Anaphylaxis:** Ask how they are prepared for this?
- T** **Team Training:** Ask if they train their entire team for medical emergency response.
- R** **Respiratory Distress:** Ask how they monitor for it?
- I** **In-Room Observation by Parent or Guardian:** Ask if they allow it.
- C** **Conscious Sedation/Nitrous Oxide:** Ask who will administer it and their level of competency.

- S** **Six Links Pledge:** Ask if they have taken the pledge.
- E** **Emergency Protocol Manual:** Ask to see.
- D** **Designated Plan:** Ask how the office reacts to an emergency. Red Flag: "We call 911".
- A** **Anxiety Constricted Breathing:** Ask what their stress reduction protocol is.
- T** **Teeth:** Ask how the problematic tooth is confirmed.
- I** **Immune issues:** Ask how they are addressed (colds and sniffles can cause complications).
- O** **Oxygen:** Ask if it is available in portable form.
- N** **Neurological Risk Assessment:** Ask how it is performed.