

Home Care Instructions Following Root Canal

- Root Canal Treatment can take 1, 2, or 3 visits depending on each case. It is possible to experience any of the following symptoms after any one of these appointments: sensitivity to hot/cold, sensitivity to pressure, possible swelling.
- It is difficult to predict which symptoms, if any, you may experience and to what extent. In complicated cases, pain medication may be necessary.
- If you experience swelling, call our office; it may be necessary to prescribe an antibiotic for you.
- A temporary filling may be used to seal the tooth between visits.
- Be gentle on the tooth while eating until a final restoration is placed.
- During endodontic treatment, the nerve, blood, and nutrient supply to the tooth are removed. This will cause the tooth to become brittle and prone to fracturing which may result in the need to extract the tooth. In many cases a full coverage crown may be recommended to prevent this from happening.