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LANAP POST-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Do not be alarmed with any color changes or appearance of tissues following laser therapy. Tissues can be gray, yellow, red, blue, purple, "stringy" and reflect normal response to laser treatments.
- 2. Avoid exercising or elevating your heart rate for at least 7 days following treatment.
- 3. Do NOT rinse or spit today. You can start this the day after treatment.
- 4. Do NOT brush, floss or use any dental irrigators at all in any areas treated, for 7 days or until further notice. Brushing and flossing is ok in all other areas.
- 5. Do NOT smoke, this delays healing and increases risk of infection.
- 6. Do not be alarmed if one of the following occurs:
 - a. Light bleeding
 - b. Slight swelling
 - c. Some soreness, tenderness, or tooth sensitivity to temperature
 - d. Medicinal taste, from chlorhexadine
- 7. Swelling may occur. To keep this at a minimum, gently place an ice pack on the outside of the face for 20 min each hour. Icing is more effective when done in the first 24 hours.
- 8. Some oozing of blood may occur and will appear to be greatly exaggerated when it dissolves in saliva. Determine the origin of bleeding and apply pressure. A very good remedy to bleeding is wetting a Lipton tea bag and applying it to the bleeding site. If excessive bleeding continues please call our office.
- 9. Please call us if any of the following occurs:
 - a. Prolonged or severe pain
 - b. Prolonged or excessive bleeding
 - c. Considerably elevated or persistent temperature

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