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Sedation Escort Instructions

The person you are responsible for is having intravenous sedation with a drug called midazolam. This makes the patient feel relaxed during their treatment. This drug also makes the patient unsteady on their feet and forgetful. Because of this you will need to stay with them and care for them for up to 24 hours after their treatment. You should ideally be responsible for the patient only during this time.

You must arrive at the appointment with the patient and stay in the waiting room during treatment. You should not bring children to the appointment. We may ask you to join the patient after treatment, during their recovery.

After sedation the patient must:

* Be taken home by car or taxi
* Take it easy, watch television or nap
* Take all medicines as normal, supervised by you
* Follow the aftercare instructions given

For 24 hours they should not:

* Drive
* Return to work
* Operate machinery or appliances
* Drink alcohol or take recreational drugs
* Look after children
* Make any important decisions, sign legal documents or make transaction, such as internet shopping

Please feel free to ask questions. We will provide both you and the patient with contact numbers should you have any concerns about the sedation or treatment during the recovery period.