

Dental Care in Pregnancy Note

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Dental work, including routine cleanings, fillings and dental surgery, are all safe during pregnancy. X-rays should be avoided during the first trimester, but may be used at any time during pregnancy, if necessary, with double abdominal shielding. For procedures, we recommend local anesthesia WITHOUT epinephrine.

The classes of antibiotics which are safe during pregnancy and breastfeeding include all generations of penicillins and cephalosporins, as well as azithromycin and clindamycin.

Tylenol #3, Percocet and Vicodin are all appropriate for pain control. Pregnant patients should not use ibuprofen or other NSAIDs.

Sincerely,

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