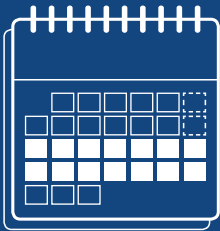




Information about Oro-Antral Communication (OAC)

- When removing upper molars, it is possible for a small communication to form between the mouth and the nose.
- While these may heal without event, occasionally a minor surgical procedure is subsequently necessary to repair the defect.
- In the event that a portion of the tooth root is displaced in the sinus, further consultation/treatment may be required with the specialist department.

**For the next
2 weeks**



- DO NOT**
 - Blow your nose
 - Suck on lollies
 - Drink through a straw
 - Play the flute, clarinet, or any such instruments
 - Go swimming or diving
 - Smoke, exercise, lift heavy items
 - Travel by plane without medical clearance
- DO**
 - Sneeze/cough with your mouth open
 - Use Drixine or Otrivine to clear your nasal passages, if your nose is blocked
 - Rinse you mouth gently (starting tomorrow)

Please contact us should you notice:

- Severe pain
- Bad taste in your mouth from the socket
- Excessive fluid through the nose/socket
- Continuous nose-bleeds
- Severe swelling
- Changes in your vision

Should you have any concerns please call The Royal Dental Hospital of Melbourne on 9341 1000 between the hours of 8:30am to 9:15pm each week day and 8:30am to 9:15pm Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays.

