

## Dental Extractions

### Benefits

- Remove decay
- Remove pain
- Remove source of infection
- Improve oral health
- Create space to relieve crowding

### Potential Risks/ Complications

- Pain and swelling
- Temporary numbness from local anaesthetic
- Difficulty eating and drinking immediately after extraction
- Prolonged bleeding
- Infected socket
- Tooth root fracture
- Nerve injury (temporary or permanent)
- Hole in sinus (upper teeth) with or without need for surgical repair
- Long term jaw bone complications for patients taking bisphosphonate medication
- Stitches
- Space closure causing crowding of adult teeth (baby teeth extractions)
- Movement of other teeth (next to extraction or in the opposite jaw)
- Permanent gap in teeth

**Please ask the dentist if you have any questions or would like more information**

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