

You are not Alone...

It is common for many patients to feel nervous or anxious about their dental visits. It is estimated that there are 45 million Americans who have a fear of dentistry. These fears have usually developed from unpleasant experiences that have previously occurred in the dental office. These fears will often last a lifetime and result in poor dental health as most nervous patients simply avoid dental visits.

Unique Training...

Now there is a way to overcome your fears. Dr. Arthur Thurm is one of a very small group of general dentists throughout the country who has completed training in medical/dental anesthesiology. With the help of his caring and capable staff, Dr. Thurm can provide a variety of anesthesia techniques to conquer the fears of so many patients.

The Fear is Real...

We recognize that the fear of dentistry is real, and not to be taken lightly. Patients who have this fear are treated with compassion and respect. Our 30 years of experience has proved that we can succeed with the patient's cooperation and desire to improve their dental health.

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How am I Monitored During the Procedure?

Depending on the depth of the sedation and anesthetic being used, as well as your own medical condition, various monitors are used. These vary from automatic blood pressure cuffs, to the use of pulse oximeters, which through a light sensor, measure the oxygen concentration of your blood. Most often, an EKG is used to monitor your heartbeat and pulse.

Dr. Thurm and his dental staff concentrate on the completion of your dental needs. At the same time, a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist will monitor your vital signs and administer the needed medications for your treatment. There is always a minimum of three to four people at your side for the duration of your case.



What is the ADSA?

The American Dental Society of Anesthesiology is a group of dentists who are committed to the task of making dental care more pleasant through a variety of advanced pain and anxiety control techniques. Membership in this organization is evidence of the dentist's concern for your comfort and health. Dr. Thurm has been a Fellow of the American Dental Society of Anesthesiology (FADSA) since 1980. This Fellowship is further evidence of his competence in the field of Anesthesiology.

What is Sedation and Anesthesia?

Other dentists refer nervous patients to Dr. Thurm when they find that they cannot treat this type of patient in the typical dental environment. Patients may also seek treatment directly, without a referral from another dentist.

Most patients requiring extensive dental treatment prefer to be asleep. The types of drugs utilized are identical to those administered in a hospital operating room. The medications are administered through an intravenous line, which quickly puts the patient in a sleep state. The dental team, which includes several people, can then quickly complete the necessary dental work in an efficient manner. Our goal is to complete all of the needed dental work in one visit. However, in some cases, this is not always possible.

Is Anesthesia Safe?

The use of sedation and anesthesia in dentistry has a commendable record of safety. This is due to the advanced training your doctor has and his commitment to your overall health. Dr. Thurm has received a special permit (#473) from the State of New Jersey, certifying his advanced training in the administration of general anesthesia. The ability of handle emergency situations is also required.

For more information about Sleep and Sedation Dentistry go to www.thurmdental.com

It's Up to You...

If you are one of the estimated 45 million Americans avoiding dental care due to anxiety, there is help a phone call away. Simply call our office at (609) 994-5111. We will be happy to sit down with you, perform a gentle examination, and discuss all of your treatment alternatives. Patients are always pleased to find how friendly the staff is and how personal attention is given to each patient. Phobic or not, each patient is treated with respect. You can join the thousands of patients we have helped to conquer their dental fears.

Credentials...



Dr. Arthur Thurm is one of the very few general dentists across the country that is certified in the administration of general anesthesia for general dentistry.

Dr. Thurm graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dental Medicine in 1977. He completed a general practice residency at the Philadelphia Veterans Administration Hospital, and then an additional residency in Anesthesiology at the Hospital of the Medical College of Pennsylvania. In 1980 he became a Fellow of the American Dental Society of Anesthesiology certifying his ability and training in the field. In 2002, Dr. Thurm was awarded Diplomate status in the National Dental Board of Anesthesiology. He has been a faculty member at the Medical College of Pennsylvania and has lectured widely about the use of general anesthesia in general dental practice.



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