

TENDERCARE PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY LLC

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PRACTICE TERMINOLOGY

Dear Parents:

In order to improve the chances of your child having a positive experience in our office, we are selective in our use of words. We try to avoid words that scare the child due to previous experiences. Please support us by NOT USING negative words that are often used for dental care. These include:

DON'T USE

Air/Water Syringe

Needle or Shot

Drill

Drill on tooth

Pull or yank tooth

Decay, cavity

Examination

Tooth Cleaning

Explorer

Rubber Dam

Gas

Suction

OUR EQUIVALENT

Mr. Squirt

Sleepy Juice

Mr. Whistle

Clean tooth

Wiggle a tooth out

Cavity bug

Count teeth

Tickle teeth

Toothpick

Raincoat

Magic air

Mr. Thirsty

This will also help you understand your child's description of the filling experience. Our intention is not to "fool" the child - it is to create an experience that is positive. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us build a good attitude for your child!