Founder and Director of Pediatric and Dental Anesthesia Associates, Dr. Alikhani is a Board Certified Physician Anesthesiologist who is fellowship trained in Pediatric Anesthesia.

After earning a degree in Biological Sciences from the University of California, Irvine, Dr. Alikhani completed his medical education at The University of Chicago, Pritzker School of Medicine, consistently rated as one of the top ten medical schools in the country.

Dr. Alikhani continued with his anesthesia residency at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School, where he also served as Chief Resident and as a clinical faculty member. His post graduate training includes a fellowship in Pediatric Anesthesia at Children's Hospital in Boston, the top rated pediatric teaching facility of Harvard Medical School.

Dr. Alikhani has conducted extensive primary research and has appeared in more than twenty scientific publications. In addition, he has had multiple presentations at national meetings, and he enjoys teaching new techniques to practicing anesthesiologists.

He has devoted more than 10 years to the care of children at a Pediatric Trauma Center. Dr. Alikhani lives in Orange County with his wife and two children, ages 8 and 10. He combines his knowledge and background in Pediatric Anesthesia to provide the safest sedation possible in the dental office.

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Our mission is to provide gentle and safe anesthesia in a comfortable environment. We use a balanced technique which achieves an ideal anesthetic and rapid recovery.

Indications for
Dental Anesthesia Include:

- Adult and Pediatric Dental Treatments
- Patient or Practitioner Preference
- Physical or Mental Challenges
- Prolonged Dental Treatments
- High Anxiety/Low Pain Threshold
- Full Mouth Dental Treatments
- Osseous Oral Surgery Procedures
- History of Local Block Failure
- Accentuated Gag Reflex
- History of Local Anesthetic Allergy
- Stable Coexisting Medical Problems

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What every parent should know about sedation for **their child**

Why does my child need anesthesia?

The fear of pain, the sound of drilling, and separation from parents make many children anxious when they go to a Dentist's office. Dentists often use nitrous oxide or moderately sedating drinks to ease children's worries, and to make them cooperate. Despite this, some children still will not tolerate any dental procedures. We provide a state-of-the-art surgery center setting complete with hospital quality anesthesia and monitoring to ensure the comfort and safety of your child.

What is unique about our practice?

We provide a hospital quality anesthetic in the dentist's office. State of the art monitoring and anesthesia equipment is used to transform the dentist's office into a surgery center setting. We will provide anesthesia in a precise, safe manner, ensuring your child is asleep, comfortable, and safe during the whole procedure. We can minimize the time your child is asleep as well as the time it takes to fully awaken.

Who will administer my child's anesthesia?

Dr. Shar Alikhani, Harvard trained physician anesthesiologist and fellowship trained in Pediatric Anesthesia, will perform all aspects of the anesthetic. Your child will remain under his direct, constant supervision until discharged home. Deep sedation in healthy patients is very safe when performed by an experienced and board certified physician anesthesiologist. Dr. Alikhani specializes in the care of babies and small children and extends this safety and expertise to the very youngest patients. Usually, if sedation is offered, it is provided by a dentist. You rarely find a medical doctor sedating dental patients with such precision as Dr. Alikhani. The skills and judgment he has refined over years of hospital work caring for critically ill children and adults during complex operations should give you confidence that your child will be safe in his hands

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ENTRUSTED WITH THE CARE OF YOUR CHILD

The California Dental Board tightly regulates who may provide dental anesthesia and enforces detailed, stringent standards stating what special anesthesia equipment and drugs must be present. Dr. Alikhani always surpasses these standards and uses the most advanced, compact, hospital grade equipment and monitors.

About our Practice

- Hospital quality Anesthesia and monitoring
- Fellowship trained in Pediatric Anesthesia
- Mobile Anesthesia for Dental offices
- Same safeguard measures as found in hospitals and surgery centers
- Board Certified Physician Anesthesiologist

DR. ALIKHANI HAS BEEN VOTED ONE OF ORANGE COUNTY'S **TOP PHYSICIANS** TWO YEARS IN A ROW BY THE ORANGE COUNTY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

What is a surgery center setting?

There was a time when anesthesia was only administered in hospitals, however, our exclusive, state of the art, ultra-compact anesthesia equipment and monitoring transform the dentist's office into a virtual surgery center setting, with safeguards available only at hospitals and surgery centers.

What should I expect?

Dr. Alikhani will contact you one or two days before the scheduled dental procedure to find out about any health problems your child may have, review the eating and drinking instructions, and discuss the details of his or her personalized anesthesia plan.

Aat the time of the dental appointment, the parent usually accompanies the child to the procedure area. The child sits in the parent's lap and goes to sleep by taking a few breaths of a bubble gum flavored mask while Dr. Alikhani tells a story or sings them a song. After the child is asleep, additional monitoring equipment is added and a child-sized I.V. line is started. The anesthesia is deepened to the appropriate level.

Dr. Alikhani will continuously monitor your child throughout the procedure. He will remain with your child during recovery and until fully awake and ready for discharge. We welcome your involvement during the procedure and recovery.