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## AFTER CARE FOR ROOT PLANE AND SCALE

For the first 48 hours DO NOT eat anything hard or crunchy. For the first week DO NOT eat anything that may get stuck in your teeth. (i.e. small seeds and NO popcorn.)

If the gums are sore, <u>gently</u> rinse with light solution of salt water. <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> tsp salt to 1 cup warm water. \*DO NOT use this solution if you have high blood

pressure.\*

As healing occurs the inflammation will go down and more of the root surface will become exposed causing some sensitivity. To help with this you can use a Fluoride rinse such as ACT or the generic Anti-Cavity Rinse and/or toothpaste for sensitive teeth such as Sensodyne.