



**HENRIETTA FAMILY DENTAL**  
**IMPLANT & DENTAL CARE**

**Post-op Instructions for Office chairside tooth whitening**

- If you are a smoker, do not smoke for 48 hours.
- Stay away from highly colored foods (red sauce, blueberries, etc.) and beverages (coffee, tea, etc.) for 48 hours.
- Mild sensitivity to hot or cold liquids may occur. This usually passes within 1-2 days. If sensitivity is severe or persists, contact your dental office.
- If you experience gum sensitivity do not brush the afflicted area while brushing your teeth.
- Immediate whitening results can be quite dramatic due to minor dehydration of your teeth. It is normal for the color to tone down somewhat after treatment when your teeth rehydrate to a natural white tone.
- Long term results vary from patient to patient. This can depend on the original shade of your teeth and include habits such as smoking or drinking colored beverages (red wine, coffee, tea, etc.)
- “Touch-up” treatments may be needed every 6-12 months to retain color. You can ask your dental professional about different “touch-up” options such as Pola Day, Pola Night, Pola Paint or Pola Office.
- Existing fillings, crowns, bonding, etc. will not whiten. Therefore, these may need to be changed in order to match your new smile.