

TABLE 1

Prescribing Options for Postoperative Dental Pain ⁷

PAIN LEVEL	FIRST 24 HOURS	AFTER 24 HOURS^a
Mild to moderate	400 mg - 600 mg ibuprofen every 6 hours	400 mg ibuprofen every 4-6 hours
Moderate to severe	400 mg - 600 mg ibuprofen with 500 mg acetaminophen every 6 hours	400 mg ibuprofen with 500 mg acetaminophen every 6 hours
Severe	400 mg - 600 mg ibuprofen with 650 mg acetaminophen and 10 mg hydrocodone every 6 hours for 24-48 hours	400 mg - 600 mg ibuprofen with 500 mg acetaminophen every 6 hours

a = take as needed.