FlowStar Double Nasal Hood

“Sweet air,” another name for nitrous oxide, just got a little sweeter! The new adult and pediatric Air Techniques FlowStar Double Nasal Hoods are available in four scents for adults: Blueberry Dance, Chilla Vanilla, Strawberry Delight, and Ghost (unscented). Pediatric patients can choose from the same four scents plus an additional scent called Bouncy Bubble (bubble gum).

As a long-time proponent of nitrous oxide sedation, I was quick to realize the attributes of this very useful and needed product. The soft inner hood is designed for a comfortable and tight seal, while the outer hood minimizes excess nitrous oxide leakage in the treatment room. Both the single-use and multi-use autoclavable hoods are latex free and compatible with other double-tube scavenging circuits you may already have in place. I have used them as a practitioner and as a patient and find them to be quite comfortable for patients. Of benefit to the dentist is their low profile, which allows the hood to sit closer to the patient’s face to avoid obstructing the clinician’s view of the oral cavity. These double nasal hoods provide a patented exhalation valve for optimum scavenging when coupled with a vacuum control system, to protect those treating the patient utilizing nitrous oxide/oxygen sedation. FlowStar Double Nasal Hoods are of great value in both patient comfort and staff safety and go a long way toward making patients comfortable while receiving treatment.