

Why Sealants?



According to The American Academy of pediatric dentistry dental sealants decrease the risk of tooth decay by 80% in permanent molars.

WHAT IS A SEALANT?

Sealants are done to protect the permanent teeth with deep grooves and crevasses that are difficult and at times impossible to clean. These surfaces, are most susceptible to developing cavities in children.

HOW DO DENTAL SEALANTS WORK?

Bacteria live on the debris in the deep grooves and can cause a breakdown of the enamel, resulting in a hidden cavity. Even if your child brushes and flosses carefully, it is difficult to clean the tiny grooves and pits on certain teeth. Food and bacteria build up in these crevices, placing your child in danger of tooth decay. Dental sealants protect these areas of the teeth and make them much easier to clean.



WHAT MAKES A KIDS TEETH SEALANT DIFFERENT?

The doctors at Kids Teeth perform all sealant procedures. First they create a large surface area for the sealant by reshaping and deep cleaning the grooves of the teeth - assuring there is no cavity below before application. This process allows the sealant material to fill deep into the affected area for better retention of the sealant. We also use a flowing filling material (instead of a sealant liquid) because it's harder and more resistant to wear.

HOW LONG DO THEY LAST?

With regular dental care and proper at home hygiene, our sealants are significantly durable and will protect the teeth. It's very rare at Kids Teeth to replace a sealant when patients follow our instructions for at home care.

WHAT IS TREATMENT LIKE?

To maximize effectiveness of the sealant application we use nitrous at a low level. The N2O reduces gag reflex and allows the patient to relax providing the doctor the necessary environment for a more effective seal. The appointment is typically 45 minutes and patients can resume normal activities right away.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Please discuss with our Treatment Coordinator so we can maximize your insurance benefits prior to scheduling the procedure.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to ask.

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