



Limited Warranty Composite Fillings

Our patients often ask, “**How long will this restoration last?**” In our office we are constantly striving for perfection in everything we do. Our desire is that each one of our patients is completely satisfied with the care they receive in our office. With this goal in mind, we are happy to provide you with this warranty (something very few other dental offices offer.) Modern dentistry is all about **prevention**. If you will spend four minutes in the morning and four minutes in the evening brushing, flossing and doing any other special treatments prescribed by your dentist and hygienist and then have your teeth professionally cleaned and examined, have fluoride applied and apply sealants where indicated most disease can be prevented. Serious and costly dental problems are usually prevented with regular visits to the dentist.

- When a tooth has a cavity the dentist removes the decay and fills the hole with a filling. The tooth is what supports the filling. The ideal filling is no more than 50% of the tooth. This allows half the tooth to support the filling. When a cavity involves more than 50% of the tooth the best restoration is a crown. A crown covers the entire tooth and holds the tooth together. Sometimes a filling is placed thinking there is enough tooth to hold the filling in place when actually there is not. The tooth then starts to break down because it can no longer support the filling. If this type of situation occurs, we will credit the cost of the filling towards the cost of a crown. In addition, for a period of five years from the date of the placement of the composite filling, we will refund the cost of a composite filling due to breakage, misfit or decay at no cost to the patient.
- This warranty is null and void if patient fails to maintain his or her regular three, four, or six month continuing care appointment with the hygienist.