Limited Warranty

COMPOSITE FILLINGS

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1. When a tooth has a cavity the dentist removes the decay and fills the hole with a composite filling, which is ideally no more than 50% of the tooth. The tooth is what supports the filling. When you get a cavity that takes up 60% or more of the tooth, a crown is indicated, and any filling performed will not be warrantied. A crown covers the entire tooth and holds the tooth together. Sometimes we place a filling thinking there is enough tooth to hold the filling when actually there is not. For a period of 5 years from the date of service, we will refund the cost of a composite filling due to breakage, misfit or decay at no cost to the patient.

2. This warranty will be null and void if the patient does not maintain his/her 6-month continuing care cleaning appointments with the practice.

CROWN OR BRIDGE

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1. For a period of 5 years from the date of service, we will refund the cost of a crown or bridge due to breakage, misfit, or decay at no cost to the patient.*

2. This warranty is null and void if the patient does not maintain his/her 6-month continuing care cleaning appointments with the practice.

*Gold and porcelain crowns are the same for practically all cases except that porcelain can chip. Approximately one (1) out of every 100 porcelain crowns chip and need replacement. This almost never happens with gold crowns. If your porcelain crown chips in the first five (5) years, we will replace it free. However, if it chips after the five-year period, you will be charged the regular fee for a new crown. This should be taken into consideration when choosing between a porcelain or a gold crown.