

## INFORMATION FOLLOWING FILLINGS

- Tooth colored fillings are set before you leave your appointment. You can brush, floss, and eat on them right away. If you were anesthetized, you should wait until you feel safe to eat to avoid biting yourself.
- The anesthetic should gradually wear off in 2-3 hours.
- Children should be observed until the anesthetic wears off. Due to strange feeling of the anesthetic, many children will chew the inside of their lips, cheeks, or tongue, which can cause serious damage.
- Sensitivity, especially to cold, or soreness in the area is common for the first few days following the dental restoration. Usually, the deeper the cavity, the more sensitive the tooth will be.
- The gum tissue may be irritated during the procedure and may be sore for a few days.
- The finished restoration may be contoured slightly different and have a
  different texture than the original tooth. Your tongue usually magnifies the
  smallest difference. You will be accustomed to this in a few days.
- If the "bite" feels off, please contact our office.