

## Limited Dental Warranty

Our practice is proud of the dentistry that we provide for you and your family. Our goal is not just to correct dental problems, but to prevent emergencies and unnecessary expenses in the future. The long term success of the dental treatment that you obtain depends on: 1) your continuing home care of your teeth and gums, and 2) attending the prescribed number of maintenance recalls per year for x-rays, cleanings, periodic exams, and fluoride treatments. With that in mind, we offer the following limited dental warranties:

**Dental Sealants:** These are plastic coatings placed on the chewing surfaces of the teeth to prevent decay in the pits and grooves. We will repair or replace sealants for a period of 3 years after initial placement. If decay is present on the chewing surface where the sealant was placed within that 3 year period, the replacement filling will be done at no charge.

**Composite or amalgam fillings:** If this is the recommended treatment prescribed, we will replace or repair it in the event of failure for 3 years from initial placement. If the tooth breaks and requires a crown or onlay, we will credit the cost of the filling towards that restoration.

**Root Canals:** Root canal treatment is about 96% successful. If you lose your tooth within 3 years due to failure of the root canal, we will apply it as a credit towards a replacement tooth.

**Crowns, Bridges, Inlays, Onlays, Veneers:** These are warranted for 5 years from initial placement. We will replace or repair them at no charge during this five year period if they break with normal use or are lost. (This does not include accidents, medical treatments, or medical conditions that could cause damage to healthy teeth or restorations)

**Dentures and Partial Dentures:** These are warranted for 3 years from delivery if a tooth chips or breaks under normal use. This does not cover accidents such as dropping your denture. Complete denture patients must be seen every year, and patients with any teeth must be seen as prescribed by doctor.

**With all of these situations, you must keep the prescribed recall appointments assigned to your condition (minimum every 6 months, but may be as frequently as every 3 months). Also, for various reasons, Dr. Watson or Dr. Cameron may prescribe a bite equilibration to be performed before any crown and bridge procedures are performed or a nightguard after the treatment is finished. Without these procedures, opportunistic failures could occur because of instability in the bite. If necessary, these steps must be taken to counteract each patient's susceptibility. If they are not performed, the warranty is null and void.**

Should you have any questions about this warranty, please speak with one of our friendly staff.