



Why a Prevention Filling Was Recommended

For your tooth

Using **magnifying loupes**, we found early decay or wear on the tooth or teeth ticked below, while it is still small. A conservative **prevention filling** bonds into the enamel and dentine to seal and strengthen the tooth now, before a small problem becomes a larger one.



REASON(S) FOR THE RECOMMENDATION

- Early decay found in a deep groove, seen clearly under magnification
- Enamel wear or a notch at the gumline that is worth protecting
- To seal the surface before decay can spread further
- To strengthen the tooth while it is still mostly healthy
- To conserve as much of your natural tooth as possible
- To protect a retained baby tooth for as long as possible
- To help avoid a larger repair, such as a bigger filling or a crown, later

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

The smallest sensible amount of tooth treated now, a bonded and sealed surface that helps keep decay out, and a better chance of keeping your natural tooth for life. Where decay is present, we remove it carefully using a decay-indicating gel so only what needs to go is removed.