

ARROWHEAD LAKES DENTISTRY

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YOUR INDIVIDUAL SITUATION MAY VARY.
CONSULT YOUR DENTIST FOR SPECIFIC
RECOMMENDATIONS.

CERAMIC INLAY RESTORATIONS

We have placed ceramic inlay/onlay restorations in your teeth. The ceramic used is a porcelain, glass like material which is very strong and durable. They are bonded to the tooth with resin bonding cements which "laminates" the tooth back to the original strength of the tooth prior to decay and fillings. These restorations will serve you well for many years. They were placed with the finest materials and techniques available today. However, you should be aware of the following information about your restorations:

CHEWING: Although the bite is adjusted at the end of the procedure, sometimes the new restoration will be high. The procedure has your mouth open for some time which can fatigue the jaw muscles. These sore muscles make it difficult for proper bite adjustment. If the tooth becomes tender to pressure or to chewing, please contact this office for adjustment of the bite.

SENSITIVITY: It is common for new restorations to be sensitive immediately after treatment. If this occurs, most tooth sensitivity will disappear over time without any further treatment. However, a few teeth, especially teeth with previous deep fillings and/or decay, can become more sensitive and may require root canal therapy.

RECALLS: Visit us for examinations and check-ups at regular six-month periods. Often problems that are developing with the restorations can be found at an early stage and repaired easily. Waiting for a longer time may allow a small problem to become a big problem which might require redoing the entire restoration.

PREVENTIVE PROCEDURES: To provide optimum longevity for your restorations and prevent future dental decay and supporting tissue breakdown, please brush with a fluoride containing toothpaste and floss after eating and before bedtime.

We have done our best to provide you with the finest quality oral restorations available today. However, as with a fine automobile or watch, only your continuing care and concern can assure optimum service longevity.

If you have any questions, please contact our office.