

SILVER DIAMINE FLUORIDE

The use of silver diamine fluoride in dentistry has been well documented for its safe and successful ability to control tooth decay. Its application is a conservative approach for the treatment of active decay. The product is applied in very small amounts using a micro brush, which will seal the treated tooth and arrest decay.

*In areas of large decay, SDF may not prevent the nerve tissue of the tooth from dying if the decay was already encroaching on the nerve prior to treatment.

Possible Side Effects:

- A cavity in the presence of Silver Diamine Fluoride will turn that part of the tooth dark. This is an indication that the decay in the tooth is arresting.
- If Silver Diamine Fluoride comes in contact with skin and/or gums, temporary discoloration will occur.
- If Silver Diamine Fluoride is placed on a tooth that has a tooth colored restoration on it, discoloration may occur.
- Silver Diamine Fluoride placed on demineralized enamel (white lesions) may cause discoloration.

Treatment of tooth decay with Silver Diamine Fluoride does not necessarily prevent the need to place a regular filling in the affected tooth in the future in order to restore function and esthetics.

After treatment:

- Do not eat for one hour and do not brush your teeth for 24 hours after treatment.

Call us at 512-451-8310 if you have any concerns.