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Risk of non-treatment/ delay treatment:

Holes (tooth decay) become deeper and bigger, decay may develop or bacteria may progress into the nerve. Tooth decay could develop beyond repair, dental pain, dental abscess, facial infection needing emergency attention may result.

Important information about white fillings for back molar teeth

- Baby teeth are small and usually cannot retain (hold) large fillings.
- Some teeth with defective enamel or tooth structure also do not retain white fillings.
- Most fillings or teeth may break resulting in more decay.
- Most fillings wear and tear over time (at different rates in different individuals).
- Within two years of placement, a filling will likely require replacement.
- Most fillings are unlikely to last until the baby teeth fall out.
- The child's bite will be altered after the fillings are placed but will usually adjust itself.
- Very rarely, some children may be allergic to the ingredients of the filling materials

- If the holes in the teeth are deep initially, sometimes those teeth may develop dental infection (including abscess, pain or even facial infection), and if these happen, the infected teeth need to be promptly extracted and your child may need to take oral antibiotics.
- Your child may need another general anaesthetic visit or more visits in the clinic to have the infected teeth extracted.



576 • Stainless Steel Crowns for Decayed Molars

Risk of non-treatment/ delay treatment:

Holes (tooth decay) become deeper and bigger, decay may develop or bacteria may progress into the nerve. Tooth decay could develop beyond repair, dental pain, dental abscess, facial infection needing emergency attention may result.

You have been shown a sample of the stainless steel crowns (if not, please inform us), please also refer to our website for further clinical photographs.



Important information about Stainless Steel Crowns:

- Silver-coloured caps, mercury-free.
- May contain nickel-chromium in which some individuals are allergic to.
- Cover the whole tooth; they are visible when your child laughs or smiles.
- Sticky foods or lollies must be avoided as they can pull the crowns off.
- Your child may have allergic reaction to the ingredients of the materials.
- SSC are not tailor made so the size that fits on your child's tooth may appear bigger than the actual tooth.