

Hillis Family Dental

Limited Dental Warranty

Our practice is proud of the dentistry that we provide for you and your family. Our goal is not only to correct any dental problems you may presently have, but also to show you how to prevent gum disease and dental caries (cavities) in the future. Preventative action will save you time and unnecessary expense. The long-term success of the dental treatment that we provide for you depends greatly upon your daily home care of your teeth and gums. Regular professional cleanings, exams, x-rays and fluoride treatments are also very important. The products recommended by our office for you and the frequency of your professional recare visits (checkups) depend on your individual condition. These recare visits may be every two to six months depending on your overall health. With that in mind, we offer the following limited dental warranties:

- **Dental Sealant** – Sealants are plastic coatings placed on the chewing surfaces of the teeth to prevent decay in the pits and grooves of the teeth. These are the most common areas for children to get cavities. Flossing and the use of fluoride will help prevent decay from developing between the teeth. We will replace sealants for a period of **5 years** after placement in the event they are lost. **You must keep the regular prescribed recare appointments or this warranty is null and void (minimum every 6 months (±3 weeks)).***
- **Composite (tooth colored) Fillings** – If a composite restoration is the recommended treatment of choice, we will replace or repair it in the event of failure for a period of **2 years**. If the filling replaces the biting edge of the tooth, the pressure may exceed the strength of the plastic composite. Repeated fracture of this edge may necessitate using a stronger porcelain crown. **You must keep the regular prescribed recare appointments or this warranty is null and void (minimum every 6 months(±3 weeks)).***
- **Root Canals** – Root canal treatment is about 96% successful. They do occasionally fail. If you lose your tooth within **2 years** due to failure of the root canal (you must also have the tooth properly restored), we will refund the root canal fee, or apply it as a credit toward a replacement tooth. **You must keep the regular prescribed recare appointments or this warranty is null and void (minimum every 6 months(±3 weeks)).***
- **Crowns, Bridges, Onlays and Porcelain Veneers** – We will warranty these most comprehensive procedures for a **full 5 years**. We will replace or repair them at no charge during this five year period if they break, are lost, or decay with normal use. We cannot always predict if and/or when gum or nerve treatments (such as root canal) may be required. If needed, they would require additional fees. If the fracture is due to patient negligence (such as chewing on ice or very hard foods) or trauma, the warranty will be void. **You must keep the regular prescribed recare appointments or this warranty is null and void (minimum every 6 months(±3 weeks)).***
- **Dentures and Partial Dentures** – We will warranty dentures and partials for a period of **2 years** if a tooth chips or breaks, or a flange breaks under normal use. This warranty does not cover accidents such as dropping your denture. Full upper and lower denture patients must be seen once every 12 months. **Patients with some of their own natural teeth must keep the regular prescribed recare appointments or this warranty is null and void (minimum every 6 months(±3 weeks)).***

***Note:** As you can see, we are confident of the durability of our treatment as prescribed for you. The primary key to your long term success is spending a few minutes a day on your home care, brushing, flossing, fluoride and prescribed products. The second key to success is regular professional examinations, cleaning, x-ray films and fluoride treatment (3, 4, and 6 month intervals (give or take 3 weeks) depending on your condition). This warranty does not cover accidents that cause damage to the teeth or dental prosthesis. **Failure to have these regular visits with our office voids all warranties.** Help us to help you maintain your teeth for a lifetime.

Signature: _____ Date: _____