# SEALANTS ENTAL

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

### What is a sealant?

A sealant is a protective clear plastic coating placed on the chewing surfaces of molars.

## When should they be applied?

They are usually applied to fully erupted first permanent molars after the age of six.

### How do they protect your teeth?

The deep grooves found in these molars are a great place for plaque to hide. It is then very easy for a cavity to happen. Sealants provide a smooth surface that allows for easier cleaning.

### Will my child require freezing?

No. Sealants are "painted" onto a clean tooth and they are hardened with an ultraviolet light.

### How long will it take?

It takes only seconds to apply a sealant to each tooth.

### What happens if a sealant is lost?

It is best to return and have it replaced as soon as possible to protect your molar from a cavity!

### Is it expensive?

Sealants are a **free** procedure offered through the WRHA at:

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