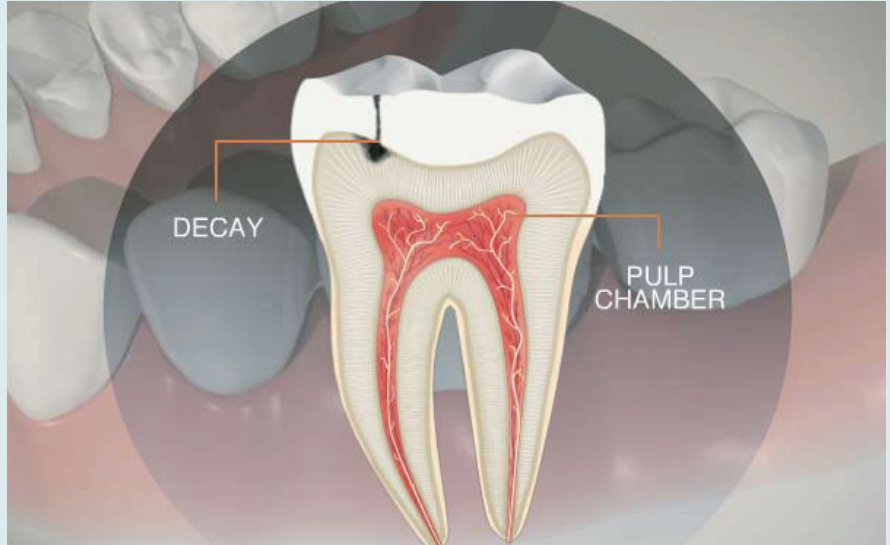


## Decay - Filling

When a tooth is slightly decayed, a filling can be used to restore the tooth.

In this example, you can see that the decay is through the tooth's enamel, but not all the way to the pulp chamber. It is important to receive timely dental attention to prevent the decay from spreading further inside the tooth.



To begin restoring the tooth, the decay is carefully removed to prepare for the filling.



A new filling is placed to complete the restoration.



Proper brushing and flossing can reduce the risk of further tooth decay.

### Notes:

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