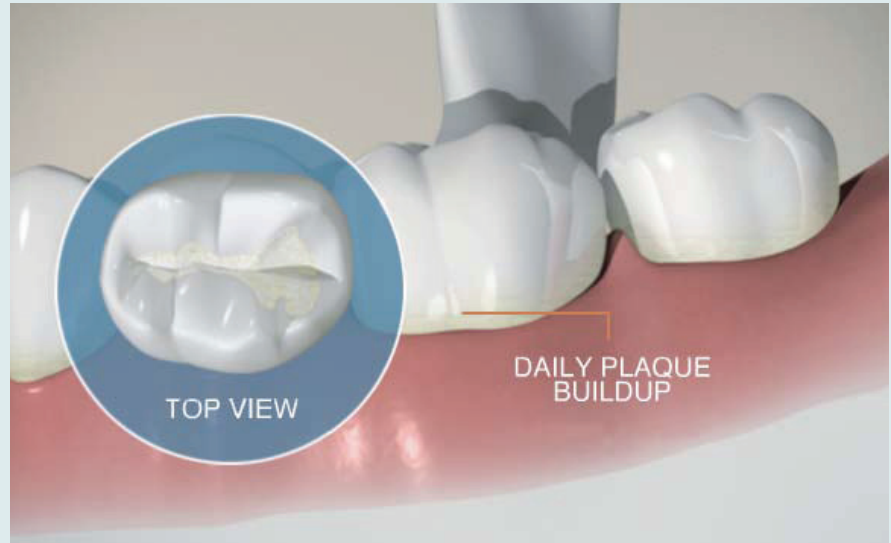


Decay - How Teeth Decay

Plaque forms on your teeth every day. The sugar in the food that you eat reacts with the plaque and produces acid. Without proper brushing and flossing, the acid wears down the tooth's enamel causing teeth to decay.

Areas that are prone to tooth decay are along the gumline, the crevasses of the chewing surfaces of your teeth, and between your teeth.



When tooth decay damages a cusp, a crown restoration is required. To begin the restoration, the damaged tooth is first prepared by removing any decay or old filling.

New filling is then placed to support the crown restoration. Your dentist will then take impressions in order to model the exact shape required for the crown. A temporary crown is made and inserted until the final crown is ready.

Notes:
