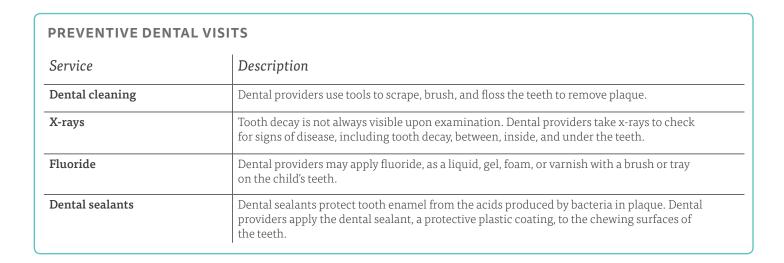
Preventive Dental Visit and Tooth Decay Treatment Services



TOOTH DECAY TREATMENTS	
Service	Description
Fillings or restorations	The dental provider removes the decayed parts of the tooth. Then, he or she fills the area with a filler substance, such as amalgam (silver fillings) or tooth-colored glass or ceramic.
Root canals	The dental provider drills into the affected tooth and removes the damaged pulp, the innermost layer of the tooth. The dental provider then fills and seals the tooth, and places a crown, or cap, on the tooth to restore the tooth's strength and appearance.
Extractions	The dental provider may pull the tooth if tooth decay penetrates the pulp, the innermost layer of the tooth, and the tooth cannot be repaired with a filling or a root canal.