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White vs. Silver Fillings

Our office places both composite resin (white) and silver amalgam restorations. Our office prefers to use white fillings on teeth due to the substantial improvement in composite resin filling materials, the ability to conserve tooth structure, and esthetics.

Insurance companies, however, do not always cover as much of the cost of a white filling as that of a silver one. We have no control over this. Our intent is to place the best restoration for your child.

Please be aware that if your *insurance policy* does not cover composite resin fillings, your co-payment will be higher. The balance is the patient's responsibility.

Please contact your insurance company for further explanation.

It is your responsibility to know what your coverage will be. To aid in this matter we will file a pre-treatment estimate with your insurance company, whenever possible, so you will be aware what your financial responsibilities will be.

In every case Drs. Lahair and Gallagher will make a recommendation as to the material to use that is in *your child's best interest*. Please discuss the treatment beforehand if you have a concern about the recommendation made.

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