### OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Drinking water cleans teeth and PREVENTS CAVITIES!
- Mouthwash can help prevent CAVITIES, REDUCE PLAQUE FORMATION, PREVENT AND REDUCE GUM PROBLEMS, HELP WITH DRY MOUTH, AND FRESHEN BREATH. WE RECOMMEND LISTERINE, ACT AND BIOTENE.
- Electric toothbrushes like Sonicare HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO BE UP TO 7 TIMES MORE EFFECTIVE IN REMOVING PLAQUE THAN A MANUAL TOOTHBRUSH.
- SEALANTS ARE A THIN PROTECTIVE COATING THAT IS PLACED INTO THE GROOVES OF THE BACK TEETH TO PREVENT CAVITIES. THEY HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO REDUĆE THE RISK OF CAVITIES BY NEARLY 80% IN MOLAR TEETH.
- THERE ARE MANY OTHER CLEANING TOOLS OR PREVENTATIVE MEASURES THAT WE RECOMMEND TO PATIENTS BASED ON THEIR INDIVIDUAL NEEDS LIKE TONGUE SCRAPERS. INTER-DENTAL BRUSHES, GINGIVAL STIMULATORS, XYLITOL MINTS OR GUM, CHILDRENS FLOSSERS, ETC.

### CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT TODAY!

#### Hours of Operation

DAY

Hours

Monday

9:00AM - 6:00PM

TUESDAY

8:00AM - 5:00PM

Wednesday

EVERY OTHER FRIDAY

FRIDAY

9:00AM - 5:00PM

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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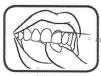
## **How to Floss**



· Use about 18 inches of floss wound around one of your middle fingers, with the rest wound around the opposite middle finger.



· Hold the floss tightly between the thumbs and forefingers and gently insert it between the teeth.



· Curve the floss into a "C" shape against the side of the tooth.



Rub the floss gently up and down, keeping it pressed against the tooth. Don't jerk or snap the floss.



· Floss all your teeth. Don't forget to floss behind your back teeth.



- SOFT OR EXTRA SOFT BRISTLED TOOTHBRUSHES ARE BEST
- Gentle Brushing is important BECAUSE "SCRUBBING" HARD CAN CAUSE DAMAGE TO TEETH AND GUMS
- Use a toothpaste with the American Dental Association (ADA) SEAL
- PARENTS SHOULD HELP THEIR CHILDREN BRUSH TO DEVELOP GOOD HABITS- WE LIKE THE BABY BUDDY 360 BRUSH FOR **BABIES AND TODDLERS**



# **How to Brush**



· Place the toothbrush at a 45-degree angle to the gums.



· Move the brush back and forth gently in short strokes.



 Brush the outer surfaces, the inside surfaces and the chewing surfaces of all teeth



· To clean the inside surface of the front teeth, tilt the brush vertically and make several up-and-down strokes.



· Brush your tongue to remove bacteria and keep your breath fresh.



- FLOSSING CAN BE DONE AT ANY TIME OF DAY, BUT BEFORE BEDTIME IS BEST
- Create routines by setting an ALARM ON YOUR PHONE, FLOSS WHILE WATCHING TV OR GENTLY USING A FLOSS HOLDER WHILE DRIVING- JUST GET IT DONE
- PARENTS SHOULD HELP CHILDREN FLOSS-TRY USING JOHNSON & JOHNSON Wild Flossers to make it more fun
- Although a toothbrush removes a LOT OF PLAQUE AND FOOD DEBRIS, IT CAN NOT GET IN BETWEEN THE TEETH

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