## Silver Diamine Fluoride **Treatment Consent**



Silver Diamine Fluoride (SDF) is an FDA approved antimicrobial liquid used to control caries (cavities) with the possibility of arresting lesions (stopping them from growing) until treatment can be rendered. It typically needs to be reapplied every 6 months to be most effective.

## **Benefits:**

- Can help slow progression or stop tooth decay
- Can alleviate sensitivity
- Can prolong time before dental care needs to be rendered

## Possible Risks/Side Effects to include but not limited to:

- SDF will turn both the cavity and nearby areas where a cavity is starting to form (decalcification) black. The black staining is permanent. This is an indication that the SDF is working to arrest (stop) the cavity.
- If SDF is placed on a tooth with a restoration (filling), discoloration may occur, but most of this staining can usually be polished off.
- If SDF contacts the skin/gums/inside of cheek, temporary discoloration may occur, but it will disappear on its own within 2-14 days.
- If the decay is not arrested, the caries will progress. SDF reapplication or more extensive treatment may be necessary.



**Before** 



**After** 





**Other Examples** 



• Your dental provider is recommending SDF because he/she feels it is a good treatment option. Please do not hesitate to discuss other treatment options or ask further questions if you are unsure if SDF is right for your child. Can alleviate sensitivity

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THIS DOCUMENT AND GIVE CONSENT FOR THE APPLICATION OF SDF.

	Patient Name	
Printed Name of Guardian	Signature of Guardian	Date
Signature of Witness		Date
Signature of Provider		Date