



1. Overview

- a. According to the CDC, school-age children without sealants have almost three times more cavities than children with sealants.

2. Goal of the Procedure

- a. Seal pediatric teeth as soon as they come through to reduce risk of caries

3. Reference

- a. [Wright, J. T., Crall, J. J., Fontana, M., Gillette, J, Novy, B. B., Dhar, V., ...Carrasco-Labra, A. \(2016\). Evidence-based clinical practice guideline for the use of pit-and-fissure sealants: A report of the American Dental Association and the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. *Journal of the American Dental Association*, 147\(8\):672-682e12.](#)

4. Required Reading / Review

- a. [Provider Training Fluoride Varnish HD, Minnesota Oral Health Coalition MOHC, Mar 28, 2016.](#)
- b. [Preventive dental care and counseling for infants and young children -UpToDate](#)

5. Required Procedure Competencies

- a. Demonstrate proper teeth painting with dental sealant