

Tooth decay is caused by a bacterial infection on the teeth known as "caries"

If your bondings, veneers, or crowns were needed due to decay, you may still have a caries infection

The "margins" or edges of your veneers, bondings, and crowns are still at risk of decay

Protect your restorative investment and prevent further decay with fluoride, xylitol and pH+ dental products



Cosmetic bondings, veneers, and crowns are common dental restorations used not only to restore function to compromised teeth, but also to improve the look of teeth and smiles. They often range in cost from £500 - £2,000 pounds each, so it is very important to prolong the life of these restorations.

While the bondings, crowns, and veneers will not decay, the remaining natural teeth underneath them are still at risk of the caries infection and decay. If you needed a cosmetic bonding, crown, or veneer due to the presence of decay, then you may still have the caries infection.

In order to assure a long life for your restorations, you want to make sure the bacterial infection that caused the initial breakdown of the teeth is not still present.

**Tips:**

- Using proper brushing technique and dental products, that favour healthy bacteria, can help ensure a long life for your dental work.

## Will veneer or crown restorations stop decay?

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- Products that contain excessive abrasives may scratch and dull your restorations over time.
- Limit chewing very crunchy or sticky foods (i.e. ice, corn nuts, caramel, etc.) with teeth that have been restored with porcelain.
- Use alkaline pH fluoride and xylitol containing products to decrease the damage that may be caused by acidic bacteria and promote healthy bacteria in your mouth.