## HOME FLUORIDE INSTRUCTIONS

Fluoride recommendation will depend on the individual patient needs, which are determined as part of a "total care" plan. Some indications that additional self-applied fluorides are needed are:

- A. Rampant decay or root decay
- B. Excessive dry mouth (AKA: Xerostomia)
- C. Exposure to radiation therapy
- D. Root surface hypersensitivity

## DAILY INSTRUCTIONS

- A. Custom tray technique.
  - 1. Brush and floss well.
  - 2. Place one drop in <u>EVERY OTHER</u> tooth in the custom-fitted tray you have been supplied.
  - 3. Wear the tray for 5 minutes, once daily, preferably at night.
  - 4. <u>DO NOT SWALLOW</u> fluoride. Make sure to expel any excess that may leak over the top of the tray.
  - 5. Expectorate several times when the trays are removed. Do not rinse.
- B. Brush-On technique.
  - 1. Brush and floss well.
  - 2. Use two drops of fluoride gel on toothbrush for upper teeth and two drops for lower teeth.
  - 3. Massage fluoride into teeth with brush, for one to two minutes, concentrating on the root surfaces at the gum line.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*No food or drink for a minimum of 30 minutes after fluoride use.

This is why night use is recommended, so that the gel has a longer period of time to sit on the teeth providing protection.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*KEEP ALL FLUORIDE PRODUCTS OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN.