

## Amalgam Removal Protocol

1. Mercury Scavenging Pre-rinse with activated charcoal
2. Patient Protective Equipment: Safety glasses, drape, face barrier
3. Operator Protective Equipment: Glasses, charcoal mask, mask, gown, hair cover, gloves
4. Non-latex Rubber dam applied
5. Saliva ejector placed under rubber dam
6. External oxygen source administered (option to give nitrous oxide if patient is anxious)
7. Dent Air Vac oral aerosol vacuum close to patient's mouth
8. Amalgam removed using chunking technique (to minimize formation of mercury vapor)
9. During removal, constant water spray & use of high speed suction (with Clean up suction tip if possible)
10. Once amalgam is removed, rubber dam is removed and mouth is rinsed thoroughly with water
11. Final rinse with activated charcoal
12. Office has amalgam separator and air purifier in use at all times, and windows are opened during procedure (weather permitted)

**If you were referred to our office by a practitioner specifically for safe amalgam removal, we will be sure to contact them directly so they are made aware you are seeing us for treatment. Please be sure to reach out to their office for any specific detoxification methods which they may recommend for you for both before and after the treatment is completed.**

### Administration Fee

You will be given a treatment plan that gives an estimate for the fillings as well as the safe amalgam removal. This estimate will also indicate estimated insurance contribution if you have dental insurance. There is a fee for administration of an external oxygen source as well as the additional materials required to minimize your exposure to mercury during filling replacement.