

Untreated Cavities SEALS question #12	SEALS Code	How detected	Examples
No Untreated Cavities	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visual inspection Explorer not used 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stained pit and fissure with no apparent breakdown of the enamel structure. White spot lesions. Broken or chipped tooth with no caries found. Broken filling without recurrent decay (considered treated decay).
Untreated Cavities Present	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visual inspection Can readily observe breakdown of the enamel surface Explorer not used. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cavitated lesions only. Pits and fissures and smooth tooth surfaces with cavitated lesions. Retained root – screener to assume that the whole tooth was destroyed by caries.

Treatment Urgency SEALS question #15	SEALS Code	Recommendation for next dental visit	Criteria	Example
No Obvious Problems	0	Next routine dental checkup	No untreated decay or other dental problems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patient having no problems Primary tooth with untreated decay about to exfoliate
Early	1	Within next several weeks or before next regularly scheduled dental appointment	Needs to see the dentist but has no pain or infection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broken or missing filling Untreated decay
Urgent	2	Within 24 to 48 hours	Signs or symptoms that include pain, infection, or swelling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In children, the most common reason for needing urgent care is an abscess

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