

HOW TO

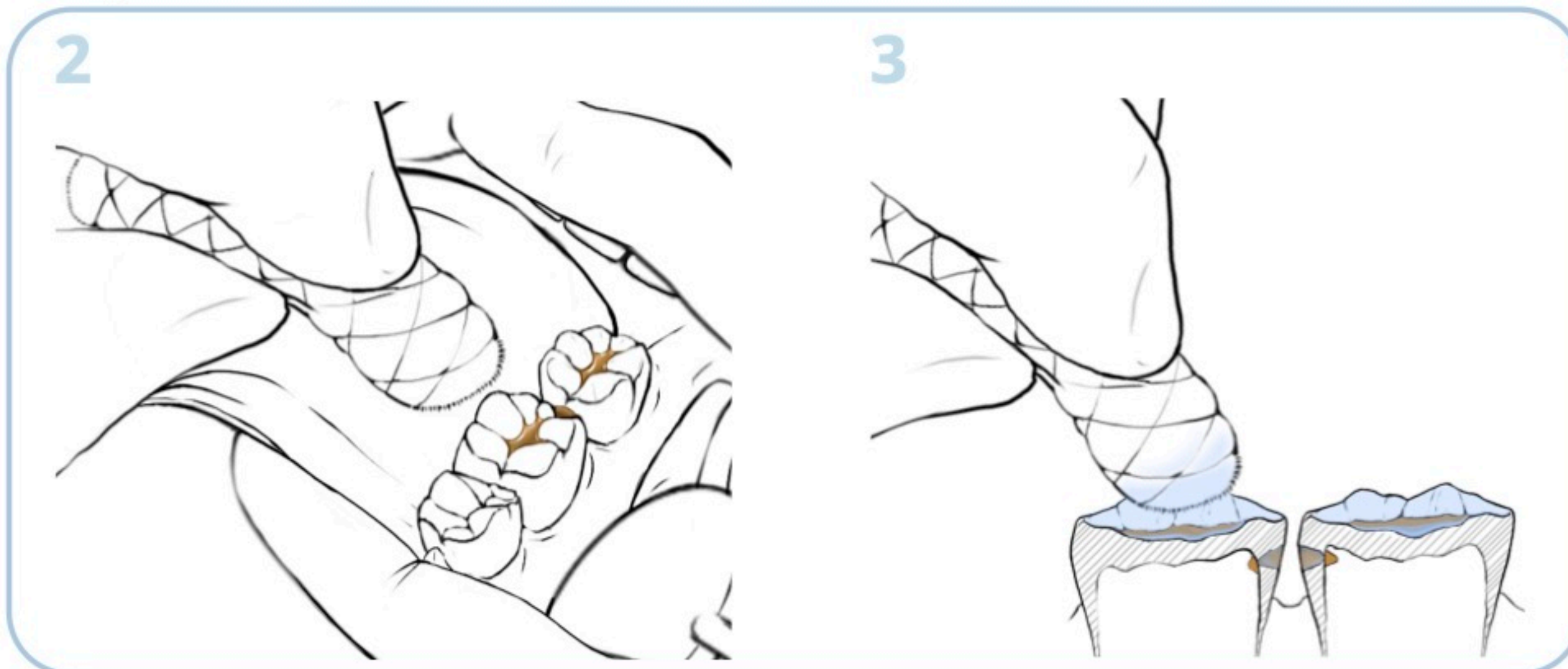
apply Silver Diamine Fluoride (SDF)
to initial, moderate, or advanced caries lesions.

Isolate



Isolate the teeth with cotton.
Protect the eyes.

Dry

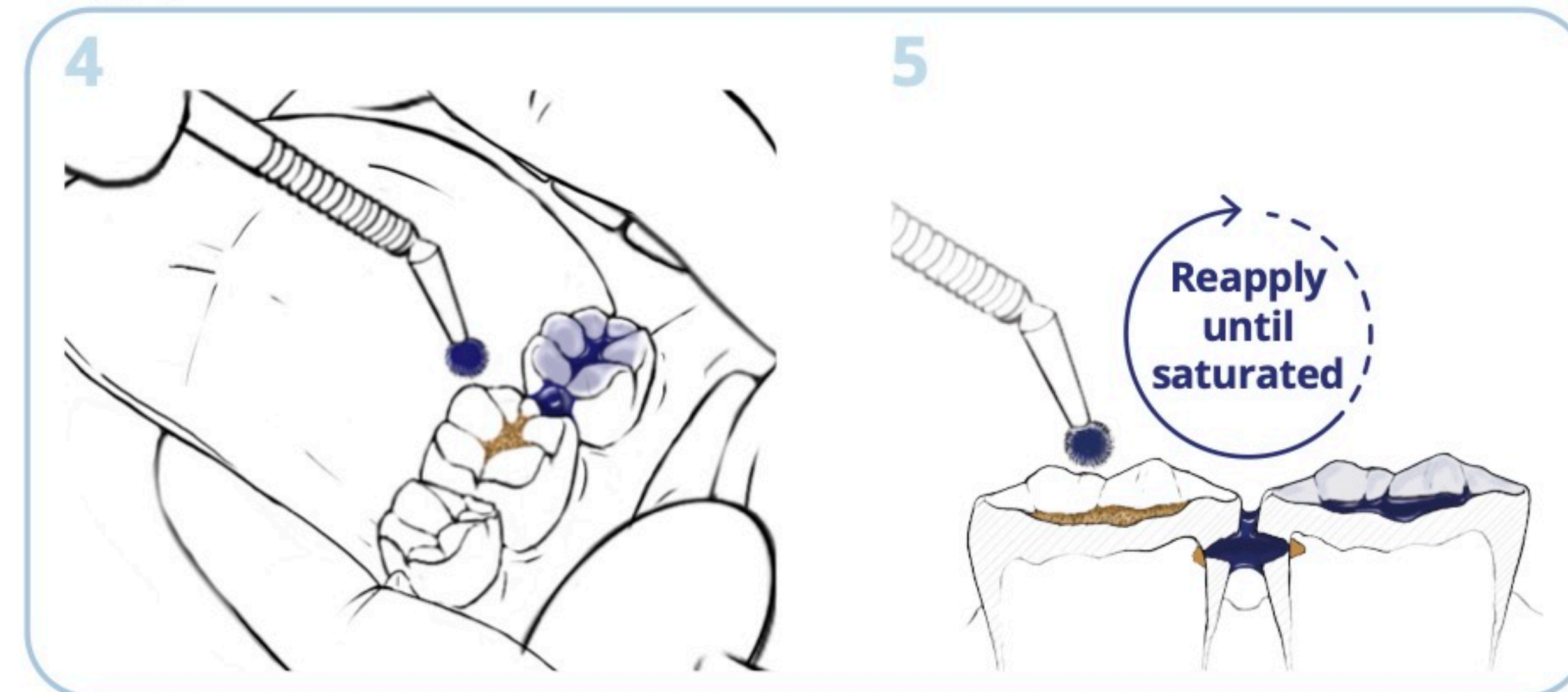


Dessicate with air. For no aerosols, thoroughly dry with cotton.

Keep mouth open.

No decay is removed.

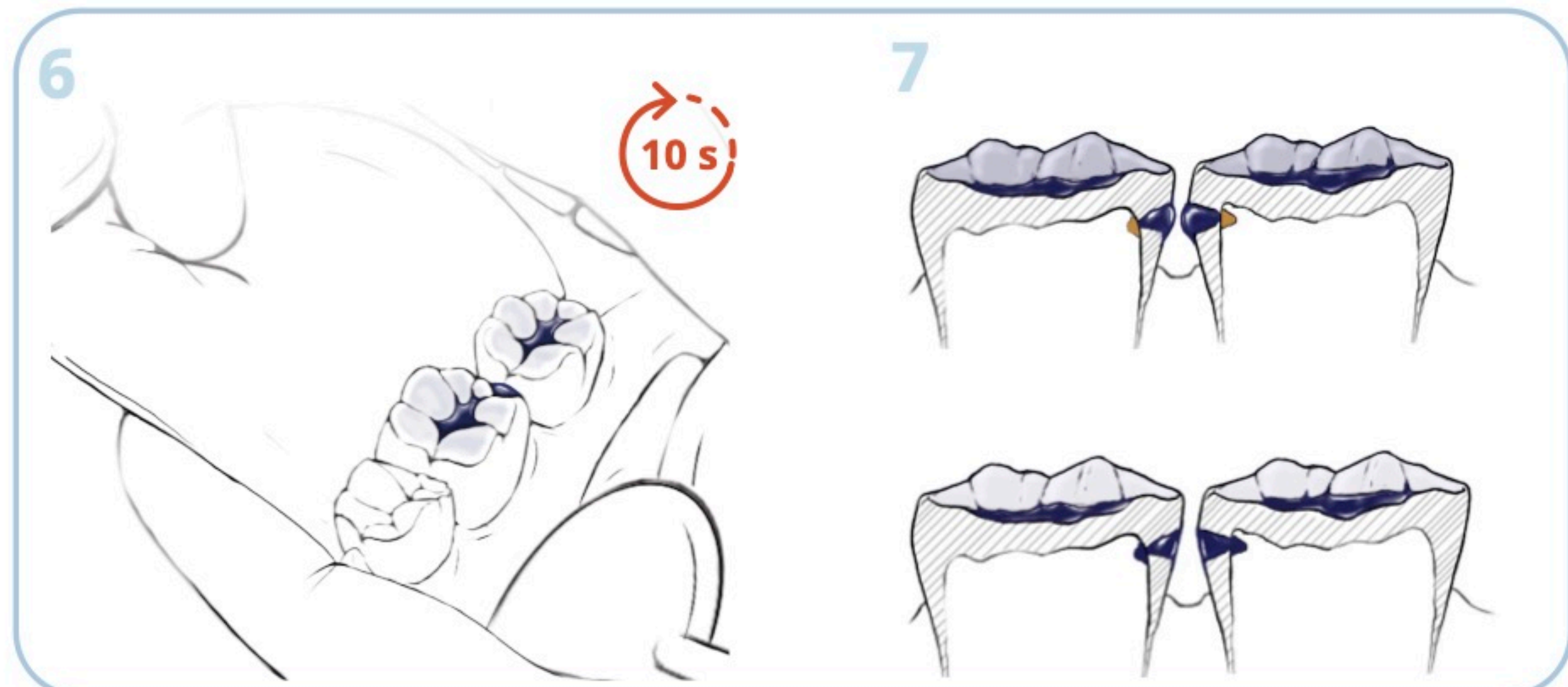
Apply



Apply to dry caries lesions; repeat until lesion is SDF-saturated. Be careful of dripping.

If treating approximal surfaces, apply to embrasures, so SDF wraps around the contact area. Unwaxed floss can be used.

Wait



Allow at least 10 seconds for SDF to absorb. During this time, it will seep deeper into the caries lesion through capillary action.

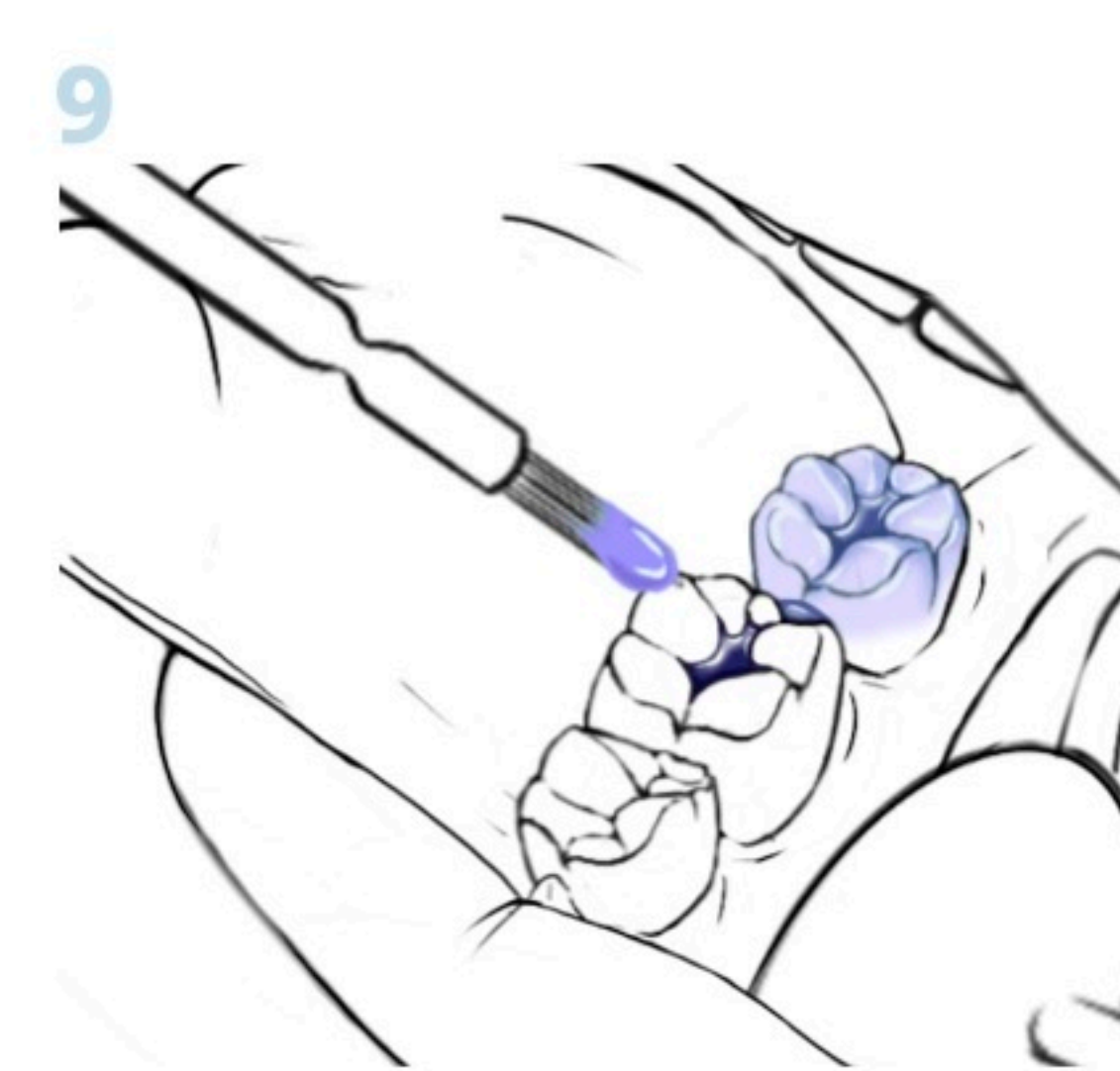
Do not rinse. Do not blow compressed air.

Remove excess



Remove excess with cotton.

Protect



Option 1: cover the treated areas with fluoride varnish or petroleum jelly (e.g. Vaseline), then remove cotton.

Option 2: protect from saliva for 1 minute, then remove cotton.

