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# Silverdale Dental

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*“Earning the EnviroStars rating lets our patients know we are concerned about our Environment”*

--Diann Selfridge  
Office Manager

Congratulations to Silverdale Dental’s; Drs. Beck, Haws and Phillips and their staff for qualifying as a 4-star EnviroStars business! The EnviroStars program recognizes businesses for reducing and properly managing their hazardous waste.

The types of hazardous waste generated by dental offices include mercury (used in amalgam fillings), x-ray film fixative, lead foils and aprons, and cleaning solutions.

The office installed an amalgam wastewater separation unit that removes mercury from the wastewater. This was a proactive choice on behalf of the office since this type of equipment is not required in Kitsap County.

Fixative from the x-ray development process is collected and recycled by a certified hazardous waste hauler. Dental instruments are disinfected using steam heat instead of chemicals. Lead from x-ray film packaging and aprons are recycled through a local hazardous waste vendor. The office uses cleaning products with low toxicity.



**Staff.....** *from left to right:*

**Front row:** Dr. Haws, Diann, Dr. Beck

**Middle row:** Kathleen, Heidi, Mindy, CC and Mary

**Back row:** Courtney, Donna and Tami

To prevent and contain spills, secondary containers are placed under hazardous waste and spill absorbent materials are also readily available.

All these steps are significant in reducing the amount of hazardous waste entering the environment.