

Beauty MD Laser Spa

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CONSENT TO RECEIVE RESTYLANE® INJECTION

A. Purpose and Background

As my patient, you have requested my administration of Restylane®; a stabilized hyaluronic acid used in the correction of wrinkles on the face and undesired folds in the facial skin. All medical and cosmetic procedures carry risks and may cause complications. The purpose of this document is to make you aware of the nature of the procedure and its risks, in advance, so that you can decide whether or not to go forward with the procedure.

B. Procedure

1. This product is administered via a syringe, or injection, into the areas of the face sought to be filled with the hyaluronic acid to eliminate or reduce the wrinkles and folds.
2. An anesthesia, numbing medicine used to reduce the discomfort of the injection, may or may not be used. In the event anesthesia is used, it will be the same as you would receive in your dental office. The anesthesia is injected intraorally to block the nerves.
3. The treatment site(s) is washed first with an antiseptic (cleansing) solution.
4. Restylane® is a clear transparent gel that is injected under your skin into the tissue of your face, using a thin gauge (30 G) needle.
5. The depth of the injection(s) will depend on the depth of the wrinkle(s) and its location(s).
6. Multiple injections might be made, depending on the site, depth of deformity, and technique used.
7. Following each injection, the correction site will be massaged to conform to the contour of the surrounding tissues.
8. If the treated area is swollen directly after the injection, ice may be applied on the site for a short period.
9. After the first treatment, additional implantation of Restylane® may be necessary to achieve the desired level of correction.
10. Periodic touch-up injections help sustain the desired level of correction.

C. Risks/Discomfort

1. Although a very thin needle is used, common injection related reactions could occur. These could include: some initial swelling, pain, itching, discoloration, bruising, or tenderness at the injection site. Those reactions could increase if you are using substances that reduce blood clotting, such as aspirin or other non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, such as Tylenol® or Advil®.
2. These reactions generally lessen or disappear within a day or two.
3. As with all injections, this procedure carries the risk of infection. The syringe is sterile and standard precautions associated with injectable materials have been taken.
4. Some temporary lumpiness may occur before the balance of a normal tissue pressure can result from absorption of the Restylane® compound.
5. Some patients may experience additional swelling or tenderness at the implant site and rarely pustules might also form. The reactions might last for as long as, approximately, 2 weeks, and in appropriate cases, may need to be treated with oral corticosteroids or other therapy.
6. Restylane® should not be used in patients who have experienced this hypersensitivity, those with severe allergies, and should not be used in areas with active inflammation or infections (e.g., cysts, pimples, rashes or hives).
7. It, also, should not be used in areas other than the tissues of the face.
8. If you are considering laser treatment, chemical skin peeling or any other procedure based on a skin response after Restylane® treatment, or you have recently had such treatments and the skin has not healed completely, there is possible risk of an inflammatory reaction at the implant site.