

Juvederm and Restylane Family Injection Consent

Juvederm/Restylane, an injectable gel, is a colorless hyaluronic acid that is injected into facial tissue to smooth wrinkles and folds. Hyaluronic acid is a naturally occurring sugar found in the human body. The role of hyaluronic acid in the skin is to deliver nutrients, hydrate the skin by holding in water, and to act as a cushioning agent. Juvederm/Restylane will help to smooth moderate to severe facial wrinkles and folds. Most patients need one syringe per area to achieve optimal wrinkle smoothing but more numerous areas of wrinkles will likely require more than one syringe. Typical results last 6-12 months, but may last longer depending on the amount of muscle movement in the area and the person's personal body metabolism.

Most side effects are mild to moderate in nature, and their duration is short lasting (7 days or less). The most common side effects include but are not limited to temporary injection site reactions such as: redness, pain, tenderness, firmness, swelling, lumps, bruising, itching and discoloration.

Juvederm/Restylane should not be used in patients who have:

- Severe allergies, marked by a history of anaphylaxis or a history or presence of multiple or severe allergies
- History of allergies to gram-positive bacterial proteins

The following are important considerations for you to discuss with your physician and understand in order to help to avoid unsatisfactory results and complications.

- Patients who are using substances that can prolong bleeding, such as blood thinners, aspirin or ibuprofen. As with any injection, these patients may experience increased bruising and or bleeding at the injection site. You should inform your physician before treatment if you are using any of these types of substances.
- If laser treatments, chemical peels or any other procedure based on an active dermal response is considered after treatment, there is a possible risk of an inflammatory reaction at the treatment site.
- These fillers should be used with caution in patients in immunosuppressive therapy, or therapy used to decrease the body's immune response, as there may be an increased risk for infection.
- The safety of Juvederm/Restylane for use during pregnancy or in breastfeeding females, or in patients under the age of 18 has not been yet established.
- The safety of Juvederm/Restylane in patients with a history of excessive scarring, such as hypertrophic or keloid formations, or patients with pigmentation disorders has not been studied.

Patient Signature

Date

