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PERLANE

What does it do?

It fills and corrects deeper wrinkles in the nasolabial folds, around the mouth, and on the forehead

How does it work?

Perlane is made of hyaluronic acid gel, a sugar found naturally in your skin. It is injected directly into the skin to fill in wrinkles and defects.

How many treatments are needed for maximal results?

Treatments are usually done every 4 to 6 months. Repeat treatments before the product has fully dissipated may be required to enhance the lasting effect.

How long does it take to see results?

Once the Perlane is placed, the beneficial effect is visible immediately.

How long do results last?

Perlane lasts from 6 to 12 months. With continued treatment, results may be more lasting.

Is it painful?

Perlane is injected directly into the skin with an ultra fine needle, resulting in minimal discomfort. To optimize your comfort during the procedure, a topical or local anesthetic may be used to anesthetize the treatment area prior to injection.

Is there any downtime afterwards?

There may be some redness, swelling, and tenderness at the treated site, which will subside in less than 7 days. Bruising is rare but may occur any time the surface of the skin is penetrated. **To minimize the risk of bruising, avoid taking aspirin, ibuprofen, St. John's Wort or vitamin E for 1 week before and 3 days after the procedure.** Sunbathing and cold outdoor activities should be avoided until the swelling and redness dissipate.

Who cannot have this procedure?

Patients who are pregnant, breast-feeding, or under the age of 18 should not have Perlane. Patients with a history of fever blisters or cold sores on the face should let Dr. Judge know this prior to treatment, because any manipulation of the lip runs the risk of activating a cold sore.