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RADIESSE

What is Radiesse?

Radiesse is a safe, FDA approved dermal filler that can restore facial volume as well as correct smile lines, nasolabial folds and wrinkles around the nose and mouth.

How does it work?

Radiesse unique calcium-based microspheres stimulate the body to produce new collagen. So it does more than fill in facial folds and wrinkles - it restores facial volume.

How many treatments are needed for maximal results?

Treatments are usually done every 12 to 15 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 Radiesse is placed, the beneficial effect is visible immediately.

How long do results last?

Radiesse may last a year or more in many patients.

Is it painful?

Radiesse 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, 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 Radiesse. 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.

