



RESTYLANE

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What does it do?

It fills and corrects wrinkles in the area around the mouth. Restylane can restore volume and enhance the fullness of the lips.

How does it work?

Restylane is a hyaluronic acid gel, a sugar found naturally in your skin. It is placed directly into the skin to fill in wrinkles.

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 Restylane is placed, the beneficial effect is visible immediately.

How long do results last?

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

Is it painful?

Restylane 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 Restylane. 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.

