

Platelet Rich Plasma (PRP) Pre-treatment instructions

If you develop a **fever, cold/ flu, or develop a cold sore**, blemish, or **rash, etc. in the area to be treated** prior to your appointment, you must reschedule (we will not treat you).

It is recommended, if you have a **special event or vacation** coming up that you schedule your treatment **at least 2 weeks** in advance (we prefer 3-4).

If you are being treated **in the lip area** and have a **history of Herpes (cold sores)** with outbreaks more than 4 times a year some practitioners recommended that you are pretreated with medication. This office recommends Valtrex 2GM the day before or the morning of the treatment and then another 2GM's.12 hours after the first dose. **Please let us know that you need a prescription if you do not have this medication on hand.

** **Discontinue use of anti-inflammatory drugs** (steroidal and non-steroidal) such as: Aspirin, Motrin (or any other Ibuprofen drugs) at least 3 days to 1 week before your treatment. With PRP, we "want" inflammation as this is one of the mechanisms of how PRP does its work.

If you are or have been on **Systemic use of Corticosteroids (steroids) within 2 weeks** of treatment, we cannot treat you. **Consult your physician for approval to discontinue use of steroids and receive treatment.**

Discontinue use of any other blood thinning agents such as: Vitamin E, Vitamin A, Gingko Biloba, Garlic, Flax Oil, Cod Liver Oil, Essential Fatty Acids (EFA's and DHA's) etc. at least 3 days to 1 week before and after treatment to minimize bruising and bleeding.

It is **recommended that you avoid:** Alcohol, caffeine, Niacin supplement, spicy foods, and cigarettes 3 days before and after your treatment. (All of these may increase risk of bruising)



Platelet Rich Plasma (PRP) Post-treatment instructions

Please carefully read and follow these Instructions after your PRP treatment. There are minimal restrictions after your PRP injections allowing you to return to your daily activities almost immediately.

Do **NOT** touch, press, rub, or manipulate the treated area (s) for at least 8 hours after your treatment

AVOID Aspirin, Motrin, Ibuprofen, Aleve (all non-steroidal and steroidal anti-inflammatory agents), Gingko Biloba, Garlic, Flax Oil, Cod liver Oil, Vitamin A, Vitamin E, or any other essential fatty acids at least 3 days - 1week prior to and after your treatment. Remember, we are creating inflammation.

If you experience discomfort or pain you may take Tylenol or other Acetaminophen products

You may apply ice if you wish to the injected area for 20-30 minutes after the procedure but we would prefer if you can refrain from this.

Do not wash or take a shower for at least 6 hours after your treatment

Do not use any lotions, creams, or make-up for at least 6 hours after your treatment

AVOID vigorous exercise, sun and heat exposure for at least 3 days after your treatment

AVOID: Alcohol, caffeine, and cigarettes for 3 days before and after your treatment

Smokers do not heal well and problems recur earlier and results may take longer.

Maintain a healthy diet and drink at least 2 L of water the day of the treatment. (Fiji water is recommended due to its high content of Silica). Continue water intake the first week after.

It is normal to experience: Bruising, Redness, Itching, Soreness, and Swelling that may last from 3-10 days following your procedure.

Please call our office should you have any questions or concerns regarding your PRP treatment or aftercare (604-630-5813)

I certify that I have been counseled in post treatment instructions and have been given a written copy of these instructions.

Patient Signature.

Date

Witness Signature