Platelet Rich Plasma (PRP) Pre & Post - Treatment Instructions

Pre-Treatment Instructions:

- 1. You may take Arnica 3-5 pellets, 3 times a day starting 2 days before, the day of treatment and 2 days post, this will help to decrease the risk of bruising
- 2. Make sure that you hydrate well the day before and the day of your treatment, as well as eat prior to presenting to the clinic
- 3. No Accutane use in the past 6 months
- 4. Avoid the following for at least 1 week prior to your procedure a. Ibuprofen, Motrin, Aleve, Naprosyn, Aspirin b. Alcohol c. Cigarettes d. Systemic Steroids (anti-inflammatory) Prednisone, Dexamethasone e. Nutritional supplements gingko, garlic, vitamin E, flax oil, curcumin and any other anti-inflammatory supplements (These drugs and herbs may cause excessive bleeding or bruising)
- 5. Please notify us if you are taking any blood thinners such as Coumadin, Plavix or Heparin, or any others.
- 6. Avoid retinol (vitamin A) and glycolic acids at least 2 days before.

Post-Treatment Instructions and What to Expect:

- A. Mild inflammation, redness and swelling, itching and/or soreness for a few days (2-5) these are common to any injection procedure.
- B. Bruising may last a several weeks. Continue to take Arnica pellets 3-5, 3 times a day until bruising clears
- C. Small bumps at sights of injection are normal after treatment and will dissipate over 3-4 hours after treatment
- D. It is normal to feel firmness in the injection site for a few days post treatment. This will soften over time. To maximize your results; for a minimum of 5 hours post your PRP treatment do NOT wash your skin AVOID touching, pressing rubbing or any form of manipulation to the treated area for at least 8 hours after treatment

AVOID Advil, Aleve, Aspirin, Ibuprofen, Motrin and Naprosyn 2 weeks post treatment

AVOID Nutritional supplements – do not take gingko, garlic, vitamin E, flax oil, curcumin and any other anti-inflammatory supplements 2 weeks after your treatment

AVOID alcohol, caffeine and smoking for 3 days after treatment.

AVOID high heat (sauna, steam room, very hot showers for 24 hours post treatment

AVOID the sun and use a physical SPF daily AVOID facials, facial massage or laser treatments for 2 weeks afterwards. Most facial treatments can be done immediately prior to the PRP treatment but not for 2 weeks after. Continue increased water intake for the first week after your treatment, Most patients will see results within 2-4 weeks, continued results will be seen up to 12 weeks. We recommend a series of 3 or 4 treatments administered at 2-4-week intervals. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.