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TIPS TO REDUCE BRUISING

Before Injections:

- 1. Two weeks before treatment, be sure to avoid aspirin, Advil, Motrin, Aleve, fish oil and vitamin E as these products thin the blood. Avoid alcohol the night before treatment, as this also thins the blood.
- 2. Try consuming pineapple, as it is a well-known anti-bruising fruit. If you don't like pineapple, go to the health store and pick up bromelain, the active ingredient in pineapple. If you are allergic or have sensitivities to pineapple, skip this step.
- 3. Arnica tablets or OcuMend patches may prevent bruising or help bruises fade faster. Start taking Arnica 2-3 days prior to your appointment and continue taking up to a week after your treatment or until any bruising dissipates. Arnica tablets & OcuMend patches are available for purchase in the office.

After Injections:

- 1. OcuMend patches can be applied immediately post-procedure to decrease the risk of bruising
- 2. Vitamin K cream can be used on the bruised area, as this can help speed the healing process. This can be purchased at a health food store.
- 3. Avoid strenuous exercise for 24 hours after treatment as this may increase bruising.

Please see list of medications that can lead to bruising.

Ketorolac

Advil Aleve Alcohol Alka Seltzer Amigesic Anacin Anaprox Anaproxin Ansaid APC Argesic Arthra G Arthropan A.S.A. Ascodeen Ascriptin Aspergum Aspirin BC Powder Baby Aspirin Bayer Brufen Bufferin Butazolidin Cephalgesic Cheracol Caps Children's Aspirin Choline salicylate Clinoril Congesprin Cope Coricidin Corticosteroid

Coumadin

Daypro

Depakote

Darvon ASA

Darvon Compound

Dexamethasone Diclofenac Dipyridamole Disalcid Divalproex Doan's Pills Dolobid Dristan Easprin Ecotrin **Empirin** Emprazil Endodan Excedrin Feldene Fenoprofen Feverfew Fiorinal Fish oil Flax seed/oil Flurbiprofen Froben 4-Way-Cold Tabs Garlic Capsules Gelpirin Genpril Genprin Ginko Biloba Goody's Body Pain Haltran Halfprin **Ibuprin** Ibuprofen **Ibuprohm**

Indameth

Indomethacin

Ketoprofen

Indocin

Lortab ASA Magan Mg sallicylate Meclofenamate Meclofen Medipren Mefenamic Menadob Midol Mobidin Monogesic Motrin Nabumetone Nalfon Naprosyn Naproxen Noraesic Norwich Ex.Str. Nuprin Ocufen Omega 3 Orudis Oruvail Oxyphenbutazon Oxybutazone Oxaprozin Pamprin Pepto-bismal Percodan Persantine Phenaphen Phenylbutazone Piroxicam Plavix Ponstel Prednisone Quagesic

Robasissal Roxiprin Rufin Saleto Salflex Salsalate Salsitab Sine Off Sine Aid Soma-Compound St. John's Wart Sulindac Synalgos DC Tanacetum parthenium (feverfew) Thiosalicylate Tolectin Tolmetin Topical K Toradol Trandate Trendan Trental Trigesic Trilisate Tusal Vanauish Vitamin E Voltaren Warfarin Willow Bark Zactrin

Zorprin

Relafen

Rexolate