



CONSENT-BELLAFILL

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This document is designed to explain to you the benefits and risks Bellafill®.

Bellafill® is an FDA approved dermal filler made of sterile polymethylmethacrylate (PMMA) microspheres in a purified bovine collagen gel carrier. This consent outlines the information and risks associated with Bellafill® when used for the correction of nasolabial folds and moderate to severe, atrophic, distensible facial acne scars.

How Bellafill® works

Bellafill® is a dual-acting injectable dermal filler. First, the collagen provides immediate volume below nasolabial folds or pitted acne scars to lift them to the level of the surrounding skin. The PMMA microspheres remain in place and create a base that provides structural support to the skin. Most patients can expect to maintain the correction they see early after treatment. However, every patient's skin is unique and it is recommended to begin with a conservative amount and continue with touch up treatments as needed to achieve optimal results. Optimal correction of all the areas that you are concerned with may take several syringes and/or treatment sessions. A discussion of how many syringes and treatment sessions that will be required, along with associated costs related to treatment(s), should take place prior to any treatment.

Skin test

You will receive a "Bellafill® Skin Test" before your first treatment. A very small amount of Bellafill® (0.1 cc) will be injected into the skin of your forearm. The purpose of this test is to confirm that you are not sensitive to the ingredients contained in Bellafill®. You should observe your skin test site daily and notify your physician should you see redness, swelling, hardness, and or itching over a 4 week period of time.

Approximately 4 weeks later your Bellafill® skin test will be reviewed by your physician. If it is negative, you may then receive your Bellafill® treatment.

Alternative treatments: Non-operative treatments could include laser resurfacing, the Pan G Lift, tissue tightening procedures, fat injections or camouflage make-up. Surgical alternatives might include face-lift, brow lift, or facial implants.

Contraindications to Treatment: You should not have Bellafill® if you:

- Display a positive response to the required Bellafill® Skin Test
- Have severe allergies manifested by anaphylaxis, or a history or presence of multiple severe allergies
- Are hypersensitive to lidocaine
- Have a history of allergies to any bovine collagen products, including but not limited to injectable collagen, collagen implants, hemostatic sponges, and collagen-based sutures
- Are undergoing or planning to undergo desensitization injections to meat products
- Have a bleeding disorder
- Are susceptible to keloid formation or hypertrophic scarring
- Are pregnant or breastfeeding

Risks of Treatment: Although the majority of patients do not experience these complications, it is important that you

understand the risks involved Bellafill®

- Discomfort: There is some discomfort from the small-gauge needle that is inserted under the skin. There is anesthetic mixed in with many of the products which helps and we usually use cold air or ice to increase comfort.
- Bruising/swelling: Bruising and swelling is common and expected. This typically peaks at 1-4 days but subsides by 1-2 weeks. There have been cases of prolonged bruising for 1 month or more. Discoloration of the treated area can occur although is uncommon and may last for months.
- Infection: Like any injection technique, an infection may rarely occur and can usually be treated with topical or oral antibiotics. Severe infections are rare but may require drainage or surgery.
- Asymmetry: There is usually some asymmetry in each person's face. Bellafill® accentuates or causes this, it can usually be corrected with a small amount of additional Bellafill®.
- Herpes simplex (Cold Sores): If you have had a facial cold sore, Bellafill® might provoke an outbreak or you could develop a new one.
- Giant Cell Reaction: Extremely rare, a large lump where the injection took place can develop that can be warm to the touch, hard and pigmented like a bruise. This usually resolves with warm compresses and antibiotics.
- Granuloma or bumps. Rarely a granuloma or bump can form, which is a small hard lump. These may last for years or be permanent. This is more likely with Sculptra, although all precautions are taken to avoid it.
- Skin necrosis or vascular compromise: Very rarely, the material could block an artery., resulting in permanent damage or scarring of the skin, If any pain persists during or after your treatment please contact your provider immediately.
- Skin scarring: In a rare event a scar or permanent discoloration may develop.
- Allergic reaction: Despite very low incidence of allergic reaction to filler (1 in 10,000) it can occur. Allergic reaction to the injectable or to any local anesthetic (lidocaine) can result in swelling or redness that lasts beyond the normal time or is more severe. Please inform us if you have any previous allergies to any of the ingredients.
- Blindness has been reported as a result of other injectable fillers.

Results: The duration of improvement with Bellafill® varies between patients. Results are usually visible immediately, but take 2-4 weeks to settle in. Bellafill® contains non-absorbable PMMA microspheres. Implantation is permanent and will not be reversed without physical removal.

Patient Satisfaction: Bellafill® usually gives excellent satisfaction. Sometimes there is a tweaking that needs to be performed (massage, adding more) in the month following the injection to have optimal results. A treatment may not work as well or for long as long as expected, and may be effective for variable lengths of time. Although most of our patients/clients are extremely satisfied with their results, results are variable. We cannot provide you with any guarantee of your results.

Post treatment care: Follow the instructions given to you by your provider and on the post-op info sheet. Failure to do so may result in sub-optimal results or side effects such as listed above.

Financial Responsibility: The treatments discussed in this document are cosmetic in nature and are not covered by insurance policies. Payment is required at the time of service, and in some cases, prior to service. You will receive a written quote for each treatment that is recommended for you that is valid for 90 days. Should the price change after 90 days you would be responsible for any increase in cost. If there are changes in the plan during the treatment you will be required to pay for any additional care. We do offer a line of credit financed through a financial services company.

Treatment Providers: Amy Taub, MD, Anne Marie Leger, MD, Monika Kaniszewska, MD, Emily Oehler, PA-C, Steven Prus, PA-C, and Ann Cameron Schieber, PA-C all perform Bellafill injections. All providers at Advanced Dermatology have been specifically trained by Dr. Taub and are all licensed professionals in the state of Illinois. Dr. Taub reviews and approves every treatment performed at Advanced Dermatology. Dr. Taub is a board-certified dermatologist with over 25 years in practice and is Medical Director and Founder of Advanced Dermatology. We have taken great measures to ensure that your treatment is performed safely and effectively. We attend national meetings frequently to keep updated on the latest, best and safest techniques and remain at the forefront of cosmetic dermatology.

Disclaimer: What your Physician, Physician Assistant, Laser Provider, Licensed Esthetician, Licensed Cosmetologist, and/or Cosmetic Coordinator have discussed with you and included again in these documents are the material risks, both common and uncommon, that they feel a reasonable person would want to know, understand, and consider in deciding if this treatment is something they would like to proceed with. Some risks cannot be foreseen. It is important

that you read the information contained in each consent document and have all your questions answered before signing the consent. Questions and concerns can be answered in the office through a consultation appointment or by calling 847-459-6400.

Do not touch the equipment while in the room. Laser equipment is dangerous and a misfire could cause skin or eye damage that is permanent.

I have read all pages contained in this document and hereby authorize the following provider(s): Amy Taub, MD, Anne Marie Leger, MD, Monika Kaniszewska, MD, Emily Oehler, PA-C, Ann Cameron Schieber, PA-C, and/or Steven Prus, PA-C to perform the following procedure: Bellafill Injectable Treatment

I recognize that during the course of the procedure unforeseen conditions may necessitate different procedures than those described above. I therefore authorize the provider(s) to perform such other procedures that are in the exercise of his or her professional judgment necessary and desirable.

I acknowledge that no guarantee has been given by anyone as to the results that may be obtained.

I consent to photographic use for medical, scientific, and/or educational purposes for the appropriate portions of the face and/or body.

IT HAS BEEN EXPLAINED TO ME IN A WAY THAT I UNDERSTAND:
THE ABOVE PROCEDURE TO BE UNDERTAKEN
THERE MAY BE ALTERNATIVE PROCEDURES OR METHODS OF TREATMENT
THERE ARE RISKS TO THE PROCEDURE PROPOSED
ANY QUESTIONS I MAY HAVE ASKED HAVE BEEN ANSWERED TO MY SATISFACTION

My Physician discussed my procedure, I understand the risks and benefits of the procedure have read the consent form I understand and I received a copy.

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