

Dermal Fillers



Dr. Radeka is happy to offer to her patients a way to improve the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles associated with the natural process of aging.

What are dermal fillers?

Dermal fillers help to diminish facial lines and restore volume and fullness in the face.

As we age, our faces naturally lose subcutaneous fat. The facial muscles are then working closer to the skin surface, so smile lines and crow's feet become more apparent.

The facial skin also stretches a bit, adding to this loss of facial volume. Other factors that affect the facial skin include sun exposure, heredity and lifestyle.

What dermal fillers can do

Plump thin lips, Enhance shallow contours, Soften facial creases and wrinkles, Improve the appearance of recessed scars, Reconstruct contour deformities in the face.

Dermal fillers can be very helpful in those with early signs of aging, or as a value-added part of facial rejuvenation therapy.

What dermal fillers can't do

For some patients, surgery such as a facelift, brow lift or eye lift may be the best approach. Nonsurgical rejuvenation treatments, such as soft tissue fillers, cannot achieve the same results, but may help delay the time when consideration of a facelift becomes appropriate. It is important to remember that dermal fillers are temporary treatments for facial aging and that ongoing treatments will be needed for long-term results.

What are dermal fillers made of?

Hyaluronic acid is what Dr. Radeka uses, Juvederm is the main brand.

Brand names include: *Captique, Hylaform, Juvederm, Perlane, Puragen, Restylane*

Hyaluronic acid injections can be used to improve the skin's contour and reduce depressions in the skin due to scars, injury or lines. You can see potentially dramatic improvements for:

Acne scars, Cheek depressions, Crow's feet at the corner of your eyes, Deep smile lines that run from the side of the nose to corners of the mouth (also known as nasolabial furrows), Frown lines between the eyebrows, Marionette lines at the corners of the mouth

Redefining lip border, Scars including burns, acne and those caused by wounds

Smoker's lines; vertical lines on the mouth, Some facial scars.

Hyaluronic acid is a natural substance found in your body. High concentrations are found in soft connective tissues and in the fluid surrounding your eyes. It's also in some cartilage and joint fluids, as well as skin tissue. It is extracted and reformulated and now has become one of the most popular kinds of injectable fillers. If the term sounds familiar, it's because the same substance is often injected into the aching joints of people with arthritis to ease pain and provide extra cushioning.

To see if dermal fillers are right for you, please call Dr. Radeka to schedule a complimentary consultation.