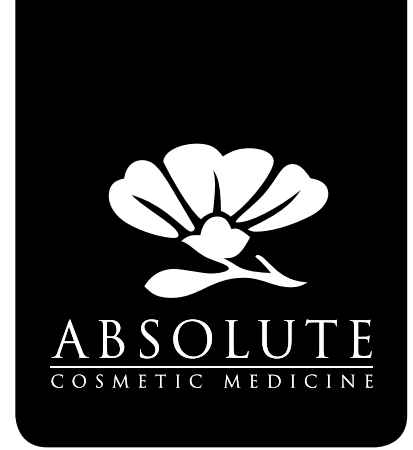


FAT TRANSFER INFORMATION SHEET



Fat Transfer is a permanent placement of a patient's own fatty tissue to correct and improve a line or contour such as lip augmentation, nasolabial lines, chin, cheeks or scars.

First an amount of fat is harvested from an area eg: abdomen or outer thighs - usually 20-30ml, under local anaesthesia. This collected fat is then treated and refined and reinserted into the facial area required under local anaesthesia.

The procedure has minimal discomfort and usually takes about 45 minutes.

Several small, well hidden, cuts are made on the facial tissue to allow the implantation process to proceed. These areas will heal within a few days and rarely will leave any marks.

In some areas, the process will need to be repeated 2 -3 times to give the best correction. The fat will often be permanent in these areas but as aging continues, so will the reduction in facial contours and further procedures may be necessary in later years.

Prolonged swelling, bruising and redness is possible but usually only lasts about 1-3 weeks. Occasional uneven filling and lumpiness can occur but are usually corrected with subsequent procedures. Infection is possible but not common. Antibiotics are given prior to and after the procedure.

Multiple areas may be corrected during one sitting, but over correcting any individual area in one sitting must be avoided, thus the need for several sessions in some individuals.