

# HYALURONIDASE (MEDICATION) - ADULTS

You have been prescribed this medication to reduce potential damage caused by a chemotherapy leak out of your vein and onto your skin. This is known as an extravasation.

## POTENTIAL SIDE EFFECTS

- Swelling at the injection site
- Allergic reaction (rash, itching, swelling around the eyes)
- Local irritation
- Infection
- Bleeding
- Bruising

Nurse's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number and extension: \_\_\_\_\_

## WHEN TO CONSULT

Contact the nurse at the chemotherapy centre **as soon as possible** if you notice:

- Onset of or increasing pain
- Onset of or increasing redness
- Onset of itching
- Presence of a skin lesion (blister)
- Skin breakdown
- Presence of discharge
- Swelling
- Difficulty moving the hand, wrist, elbow or shoulder of the arm where the extravasation occurred

Notify the nurse at the chemotherapy centre and go to the emergency department if you notice:

- Swelling around the eyes.
  - Fever of 38,3 °C (101 °F) once.
- OR
- Fever of 38 °C (100,4 °F) twice within a one hour interval.

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