Euflexxa Injection

PATIENT INFORMATION SHEET INT06

Your appointment:

Date: .....

Time: .....

Location: .....

Please see our website for more clinic details.

Duration of examination

A series of 3 injections performed 1-2weeks apart. Normally the examination will be approximately 30minutes.

Please bring with you:

- Your request form
- Medicare and any
- Healthcare cards

Payment on the day of the examination is requested.

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What is a Euflexxa injection?

Euflexxa is used to help relieve pain due to osteoarthritis in patients who do not achieve adequate results with simple pain relief medication. It works by supplementing the hyaluronic acid that naturally lubricates the joint.

The injection is intended to relieve pain and stimulate production of normal, non-inflamed joint fluid whilst increasing mobility.

Patient preparation

If considering arthroplasty (joint replacement) within the next 6 months, please consult with your surgeon prior to Euflexxa injections.

What will happen during the examination?

The procedure is performed under sterile conditions.

CT imaging is used to accurately locate the area to be injected and to guide the needle. It is important you keep as still as possible during the procedure.

A Radiologist will position the needle within the affected joint and inject the medication. The needle is then removed and a sterile dressing applied.

The process will be repeated over a course of 3 appointments, 1-2 weeks apart. The maximum effect of the injection is evident 8 weeks post 1st injection.

Are there any risks?

You may receive a small dose of x-ray radiation. However, please advise the radiographer if you are, or think you may be pregnant.

Complications such as infection, allergy, bleeding are considered to be very rare.

After the examination

After receiving an injection of hyaluronate, you should avoid any activities that put stress on your joint (such as physical activity, heavy lifting, standing on your feet for more than an hour) for 48 hours.

Mild to moderate temporary pain may be present at the injection site along with minor associated skin bruising. Infection is rare; if you develop a fever with joint pain, swelling, redness and warmth post injection in the week following, please seek immediate medical attention.

It is important you understand why and how we will be assisting you. If you have any questions, please call one of our clinics or speak to our staff on the day of your visit.

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