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Ulthera

What is Ultherapy?

Our faces can tell many stories, and while wrinkles might say “experience”, droopiness can say “tired”. Surgery has always been an option, but now there’s Ultherapy, a noninvasive ultrasound treatment for counteracting the effects of time and gravity on your skin.

The beauty of the Ultherapy procedure is that it uses the body’s own regenerative response to gently and gradually restore memory to the skin and underlying tissue support.

How does the Ultherapy procedure work?

As with other ultrasound procedures, a smooth applicator placed upon your skin projects an image onto a screen that allows your dermatologist to plan where the energy will be directed. This same applicator is then used to deliver low levels of focused heat at just the right depth below the skin to achieve a positive effect, all the while leaving your skin undisturbed.

Your skin’s response to the energy is to stimulate the growth of new collagen. A gradual tightening occurs, resulting in a natural lift over time.

How is Ultherapy different from other non-surgical skin tightening procedures?

Ultherapy is the only skin procedure that uses ultrasound for non-invasive skin sculpting. The ability to use such a trusted technology to treat only the most relevant and responsive tissue helps ensure both safe and satisfying results.

What does the treatment feel like?

Comfort levels vary from person to person, but it is unlikely that you will need pain medication during the procedure. Many patients describe the sensation as momentary prickling or heat beneath the skin. This is the ultrasound energy being delivered into the tissue, which is how Ultherapy lifts and tightens the skin.

What can I expect afterwards?

You are able to return to your normal activities right away, and there are no special measures you need to take. Your skin may appear a bit flushed immediately after the treatment, but should disappear in a matter of hours.

Is Ulthera safe?

Ultrasound has been used in the field of medicine for over 50 years, and clinical trials have demonstrated the safety of this latest application.

As with any medical procedure, there are general safety considerations, which your physician will review with you.

What kind of result can be expected?

With just one treatment, the regenerative process is initiated, but the full effect will build gradually over the course of three months.

In the FDA clinical trials, nine out of ten patients had a noticeable, significant lift of the brow line. This resulted in reduced skin laxity on the eyelid and a more open, youthful look to the eyes overall. Patients reported a firmer, tighter, better-fitting skin in other areas of the face and neck as well. There isn't a non-invasive way to produce the dramatic effects of surgery, but finally there is a non-invasive approach for significant skin tightening and actual lifting.

Who is a good candidate?

A good candidate for Ultherapy is someone with skin that has "relaxed" to the point of looking, and often feeling, less firm.

Loss of definition of the jaw-line, for instance, is often the first sign of "maturing" skin. Ultherapy can help to refine the contour of the jaw-line.