

## **Daily Care of Your Facial Prosthesis with Daro® Adhesive**

### **Preparing your skin and prosthesis:**

- Please wash and dry your hands and skin where your prosthesis is to be placed.
- Be sure your skin and prosthesis are oil-free by gently wiping with rubbing alcohol.

### **Applying adhesive to your prosthesis:**

- Shake the adhesive well before opening.
- The adhesive is applied with a cotton tipped swab by evenly spreading a thin layer of adhesive along the outer edges of the back side of your prosthesis.
- *Tip: Your adhesive will last longer if you dip the cotton tipped swab only once into the bottle-double dipping is not recommended.*
- Allow the adhesive to dry until it turns clear.
- A hand held hair dryer on low will accelerate drying.
- You can double the adhering qualities of the adhesive by applying it to the skin as well as to the margins of the prosthesis. The procedure is:
  1. Apply adhesive to the back-side of the prosthesis. Allow to dry.
  2. Apply adhesive to your skin. Allow to dry.
  3. "Wet" the adhesive on the backside of the prosthesis with water. Depending of the size of the prosthesis - you can use your finger or an atomizer filled with water.
- Using a mirror, press prosthesis firmly into place with even pressure.
- Securely tighten lid on bottle to prevent evaporation and spills
- *Tip: a bit of petroleum jelly around the mouth of bottle will make it easier to open and close.*

### **Removing and cleaning your prosthesis:**

- Please remove your prosthesis from your skin on a daily basis to keep your skin healthy and to maintain proper hygiene of the prosthesis.
- Once removed, gently roll the adhesive off your prosthesis with your fingertips, with gauze or with a washcloth.
- Clean your prosthesis with mild soaps such as Dove® or Dawn® and warm water or use the specific cleaner recommended by your anaplastologist.
- *Tip: If you wear an oculofacial prosthesis, do not clean the plastic eye with alcohol.*
- Store your prosthesis in a safe place away from children and curious pets.

### **Cleaning your skin - follow your physician's instructions if given:**

- Remove adhesive from your skin by gently rolling it off. Residual adhesive can be removed with a moisturizing lotion.
- Wash your face with your preferred cleansing product.
- Moisturize your skin at night; but not in the morning before application of the prosthesis.

### **What to avoid:**

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- Please do not swim wearing your prosthesis. Salt water and chlorine cause the color to fade.
- Please do not allow adhesive to freeze and do not store in refrigerator
- Please do not use soaps containing oils, lotions or moisturizers on the prosthesis
- Please do not use solvents except those recommended by your doctor and/or anaplastologist to remove the adhesive. Strong solvents shorten the life of a prosthesis and can accelerate the delaminating of silicone from a polyurethane backed prosthesis.
- Smoking will stain and yellow the prosthesis
- Prolonged direct exposure to sunlight, which can cause fading of the color.

We hope these instructions are helpful and please  
**report any areas of inflammation or irritation to your doctor and anaplastologist.**

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