

I, the undersigned, agree to acupuncture treatment and have read and do understand the following effect may occur in some people at some times, despite all usual care.

- 1. Once the acupuncture needles have been inserted in their prospective points on the body it is very important to minimize body movement.
- 2. A heavy numbing sensation may be felt around the needle site. This is normal and indicates the arrival of "Qi."
- 3. If any excessive discomfort is experienced around the site of a needle, please inform the doctor.
- 4. Fainting is rare but may occur, particularly if the patient is very hungry, tired, nervous, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs. You will usually be treated lying down to minimize this possibility. It is recommended that you eat and are rested before treatment.

Tiny bruising occurs seldom, but can occur if the patient moves the acupuncture site or if a vessel is nicked during needle insertion. These effects are temporary and not harmful.

Infection is avoided by the use of sterile equipment, disposable needles and clean needle technique. Sterility of needles is guaranteed by your acupuncturist or by the manufacturer of the disposable equipment.

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