

Consent to treatment carried out by Martine Dupont

Treatment by acupuncture includes or may include :

Acupuncture : the insertion of pre-sterilised, high quality, single-use needles, SEIRIN brand or equivalent, through the skin into the sub-cutaneous tissues on specific points on the surface of the body.

- acupressure : traditional massage of Chinese medicine and manual therapy.
- cupping : glass suction cups are used on specific points of the body and through a suction effect enable the energy blockage to be removed.
- Gwa-Sha: the skin is rubbed with a horn object at specific points to remove the symptoms.
- Laser puncture: the laser is used like an acupuncture needle to stimulate the QI current and promote healing.
- Cupping : the suction cups especially release the meridians from emotionally energies. Bruises may form (Chinese medicine says that bad blood rises to the surface) and they disappear in the days following the treatment.

- Dietary advices based on traditional Chinese medicine : simple nutritional suggestions that do not replace a specialised consultation. This is not part of a dietetic or nutritional treatment in the conventional sense.
- Moxa : Moxa heats an acupuncture point, sometimes leading to reddening, which is the very nature of the treatment.
- Auriculotherapy: treatment can be supplemented by auriculotherapy. This consists of hypoallergenic gold beads being glued onto strategic parts of the ear to stimulate the corresponding auriculotherapy points. These beads are stimulated by lightly pressing on them three times a day, for 30 seconds (for each point) starting the day after the acupuncture session, and are removed (by ungluing them) after 4 or 5 days. These points may be painful, but should not be irritating (they should be removed in case of irritation).

The client acknowledges the potential benefits and risks associated with the procedures described above :

- potential benefits : relief of symptoms without medication, and improvement of the body's energies that

can prevent, improve or eliminate the health problems presented.

- potential risks : discomfort, pain (sometimes after the treatment at the puncture points), minor bruises,

drops of blood, numbness (at the puncture points), temporary discoloration of the skin, broken needle, needle pain, possible aggravation of symptoms after a session, dizziness, damaged nerve.

Clients with blood circulation problems, heart problems, wearing a pacemaker, as well as pregnant women, must inform the practitioner before receiving treatment.

In full knowledge of the above, the client voluntarily consents to the described procedures and acknowledges that the practitioner cannot guarantee a result that will heal or improve his/her state of health. The client releases the practitioner from any responsibility with regard to what is set out above. He/she can withdraw the present consent at any time and stop the treatments when he/she wishes.

USE IN PREGNANT WOMEN:

Moxa is used to change the position of the baby who is presenting in the breech position. The client undertakes to go to her gynaecologist or to the maternity ward for a check-up after the session, in order to prevent the umbilical cord being in a bad position further to a movement of the baby. The client hereby releases the practitioner from liability for the consequences of the treatment.

By making an appointment on line, the client declares that he/she agrees to the terms of the above consent. « Read and approved »