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## **Instructions for your Silicone Prosthetic Ear**

## **Application**

- Optional: Surgi-lube, It Stays or KY Jelly may be used along leading margins in place of glue to prolong the life of your prosthesis margins. You may also prepare your skin with Skin-prep before applying prosthesis to act as a guard against perspiration if you are planning on high levels of physical activity.
- Apply a thin layer of glue with q-tip to both the skin site and prosthesis. When the white glue is clear, the prosthesis is ready to apply.
- Hold prosthesis for approx 30 seconds to ensure a good bond.
- When removing prosthesis, always pull from the back to front.

## Care

- Do not peel at thin margins for removal.
- Clean glue daily with gauze and warm water. You may find that soaking prosthesis in water for 3hours or overnight is helpful for removing glue.
- 70% isopropyl alcohol (rubbing alcohol) or alcohol pads should be sufficient to keep your prosthesis clean.
- Any small tearing in the silicone of your prosthesis should be addressed by Aesthetic Prosthetics as soon as possible.
- If you own animals, take care to store your prosthesis out of their reach.
- Do not wear your prosthesis when you sleep. Your skin needs time to air out.
- Products that can damage/shorten the life of your prosthesis:
  - Oils (i.e. lotions, tanning products, makeup, wood stain)
  - Dyes (i.e. hair dye, unwashed dark colored new clothing)
  - Solvents or harsh cleaners (i.e. chlorine, cinematic makeup removers)
- Do not use any other cleaners, glues or chemicals on your prosthesis without consulting Aesthetic Prosthetics as they may contain ingredients that are harmful to silicone. We are not liable for the potentially irreversible damage that may be caused by use of unapproved products.