

TAKING THE MEDICATION

IMLYGIC® (talimogene laherparepvec; T-VEC) for Melanoma

HOW IT IS GIVEN:

- Imlygic is given by injection directly into a melanoma tumor. The first session is the longest—it will last about 2 hours, so plan accordingly.
- A second treatment will be given 3 weeks after the first treatment, and then every 2 weeks after that for as long as you have tumors.
- Your oncology team member will decide which tumors to inject and may not inject every tumor at every session.

THINGS TO TELL YOUR ONCOLOGIST'S OFFICE:

- If you are pregnant or breastfeeding.
- If you have a weakened immune system due to an immune deficiency, blood or bone marrow cancer, steroid use, organ or bone marrow transplant, or HIV/AIDS.
- If you are taking antiviral medications to treat or prevent herpes, such as acyclovir.
- If you are in close contact with someone who has a weakened immune system or is pregnant.

HOW TO TAKE IMLYGIC SAFELY (AND NOT SPREAD THE VIRUS):

The Imlygic medication is a modified version of the herpes simplex virus type 1, the virus that causes cold sores.

To prevent the Imlygic virus from spreading to other parts of your body or to your close contacts (such as people living in your house, caregivers, sex partners, or persons sharing the same bed), you should:

- Avoid any contact between your treatment sites, dressing(s), or body fluids and your close contacts (eg, you should use condoms when engaging in sexual activity and avoid kissing a close contact if you or they have an open mouth sore).
- Wear gloves while putting on or changing your dressing.
- Keep treatment sites covered with airtight and watertight dressings for at least 1 week after each treatment (or longer if the treatment site is weeping or oozing).
- If the dressing comes loose or falls off, replace it right away with a clean dressing.
- Place all used dressings and cleaning materials in a sealed plastic bag and throw them away in the garbage.
- Do not touch or scratch the treatment sites.