

# Subcutaneous (SC) Immunotherapy Conversation Checklist

Talking with your healthcare provider is a great place to start.

*SC means under the skin. An SC injection is a method of giving immunotherapy into the layer of fat that's just under the skin. Immunotherapy is a type of cancer treatment that helps your body's own defense system, called the immune system, fight cancer.*

*If you're considering cancer treatment with SC immunotherapy injections, your healthcare provider can help answer your questions. This checklist includes some questions that can help you get the conversation started. Please feel free to use the questions that are most important for you.*

- What is an SC injection?
- How is an SC injection different from an intravenous (IV) infusion?
- Why would I consider switching to SC injections from an IV infusion?
- How often would I need an SC injection?
- Where would I need to go to receive an SC injection, and who would provide it?
- What are the steps involved in getting an SC injection and how long does it usually take?
- Is there someone in your office I can talk to about insurance coverage and any out-of-pocket expenses I might expect?
- What should I wear to an SC injection appointment?
- What will happen during my SC injection appointment?
- What are the potential benefits of an SC injection?
- How will we know if the SC injection is working?
- What are the side effects of taking an SC injection, and how can these be managed?
- If I start on SC injections, would I still have the option to switch to an IV infusion in the future?
- Will an SC injection affect my other medications?
- Will the pharmacy have the SC injection in stock so that I can get my treatment?
- Is there anything I need to avoid eating, drinking or doing before or after an SC injection?
- How might an SC injection affect my ability to have children?
- Where can I find additional resources to learn about SC injections?
- Where can I learn more about other patients' experiences with SC injections?

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# Thinking about subcutaneous (SC) immunotherapy?

This decision path can help you, your caregiver and your healthcare provider decide together what is best for your cancer treatment.

