

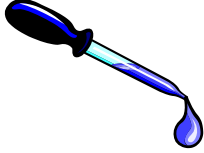
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SUBLINGUAL IMMUNOTHERAPY aka ALLERGY DROPS



This is the injection free way to take your immunotherapy in the comfort of your own home. Sublingual immunotherapy is given by placing drops which contain the allergens you are allergic to under your tongue, held for a few seconds and then swallowed on a daily basis.

Advantages:

No needles

Done at home

Decreases future allergies and asthma without getting a shot. Perfect for young children

Disadvantages:

Not as effective as allergy shots.

Health insurance does not cover as this therapy is not approved by the FDA, however, allergy drops are used extensively in Europe

Cost is \$60 a month which is comparable to monthly medication copays.