

Laser Pigment Treatment Pre & Post Care Instructions

PRE TREATMENT

- 1. Avoid any form of tanning including outdoor sun exposure, sun beds, self-tanner & spray tans for 4 weeks prior to treating. No UV/Sun exposure for 14 days post treatment. Use sunscreen daily.
- 2. No antibiotic use 2 weeks prior to treating (oral or topical). No Accutane within 6 months prior to treatment. No retinol use on treatment area 7 days prior to treatment.
- 3. Make sure treatment area is cleansed and free of any skincare irritants such as lotions, oils & perfumes prior to treatment.
- 4. No active skin infections or lesions, no tattoos in treatment area(s).
- 5. No history of keloid scarring, no history of epilepsy, no active skin cancer.
- 6. Must not be currently pregnant or breastfeeding.

POST TREATMENT

Immediately after treatment, there should be erythema (redness) and edema (swelling) at the treatment site, which may last up to 2 hours, or longer. The erythema may last up to 2-3 days. The treated area will feel like a sunburn for a few hours after treatment.

- 2. Your provider may use an optional cooling method immediately following treatment to ensure your comfort.
- 3. A topical soothing skin care product such as aloe vera gel may be applied following treatment if desired.
- 4. Avoid sun exposure to reduce the chance of hyperpigmentation (darker pigmentation).
- 5. Use sunblock (SPF 30+) at all times throughout the course of treatment.
- 6. The treated pigment will appear darker immediately and within the first few days following treatment. The darkened pigment will flake off like dry skin within 7-10 days. Avoid picking or scratching the treated skin.

7. There are no restrictions on bathing except to treat the skin gently, as if you had a sunburn, for the first 24 hours.