Spider Vein Treatment Pre & Post Care PDF

If you have any additional questions/concerns, feel free to call our office or ask your treatment provider

Pre-Care

- 1. There are no major preparations required before the laser treatment that is directed through the skin.
- 2. On the day of the treatment you should avoid all creams, lotions and moisturizers on the area that is going to be treated.
- 3. To avoid hyperpigmentation (dark spots) after laser spider vein treatment do not expose yourself to the sun without at least 30 SPF sunscreen.
 - a. In addition, you must avoid the use of self-tanning lotions, spray tans, tanning beds or any other artificial pigment to the skin while undergoing treatment and for at least three weeks prior to the first treatment.
- 4. Avoid any irritants to your skin such as any products containing retinol, benzolyl peroxide, glycol/ salicylic acids, or astringents for one week before your laser spider vein treatment.
- 5. If possible, please do not wear any makeup prior to your facial vein removal treatment.
- 6. To avoid the opening of the treated veins & significant bruising do not take aspirin or other anti-inflammatory products
 - a. These include (Anacin, Bufferin, Advil, or Nuprin) or Omega 3, 6 or 9 (Fish oil supplements) for one week before treatment. Tylenol may be used.
- 7. Avoid alcohol and smoking for at least one-two weeks before treatment.

Post-Care

- 1. Avoid any irritants to your skin such as any products containing retinol, benzolyl peroxide, glycol/ salicylic acids, or astringents for one week after your laser spider vein treatment.
- 2. Do not use self-tanning agents for at least two weeks after your final treatment.
- 3. To avoid the opening of the treated veins & significant bruising do not take aspirin or other anti-inflammatory products for one week after treatment. Tylenol may be used.
- 4. To decrease any discomfort after laser spider vein removal treatment, an ace bandage MAY be helpful. It may also help in reducing the amount of bruising.
- 5. Post spider vein removal bruising will be minimized by applying Vitamin K cream, Arnica, or Auriderm Cream.
- 6. To decrease swelling, ice can be applied, 20 minutes on, 20 minutes off Swelling will resolve by itself in a few hours. Bromelain 750 mg four times per day is a homeopathic remedy utilized to reduce swelling. Do not take on an empty stomach.

Note: Even after the majority of veins have been treated, new spider veins can develop. Make an appointment for evaluation in 6 weeks