laser treatment

- 1. Discontinue Accutane 6 months prior to treatment.
- 2. Discontinue use of Retinoic (Retinol) Acid products 2 weeks prior to treatment.
- 3. Avoid sun exposure, or the use of tanning beds for four to eight weeks, and self-tanners for at least four weeks, prior and/or in between IPL treatments.
- 4. Report all skin diseases, viruses, infections, cold sores, eczema or allergies to service provider.
- 5. Do not exfoliate, use glycolic acid, benzyl peroxide or any other skin irritants one week prior to IPL treatments.
- 6. Avoid Microdermabrasion's, or peels for two weeks prior to treatment.
- 7. If the skin is red, irritated or sunburned, the IPL treatment must be rescheduled.
- 8. Report all medication taken within two weeks of the treatment.
- 9. Avoid depilating for at least 6 weeks prior to your first treatment. Do not depilate with: waxing, sugaring, plucking, threading or hair removal creams before and/or in between IPL treatments. Shaving is permitted and recommended
- 10. Discontinue using bleaching creams for 2 weeks prior to treatment and perfumed products (eg. Aromatherapy oils/Essential oils) for 48 hours before treatment.
- 11. Do not use sun blocking creams within 12 hours of scheduled treatments.
- 12. Consider wearing protective clothing, cotton gloves for driving, or a hat to protect facial areas
- 13. Avoid swimming in strong chlorinated water immediately before an IPL session.
- 1. Avoid direct sunlight, tanning beds or self-tanners for at least 2-3 weeks after a treatment. Apply Sun Protective Cream of SPF 50+, 15 minutes prior to sun exposure, and 15 minutes afterwards. Keep reapplying as needed throughout the day. Consider using protective cotton gloves for driving, a hat to protect facial areas
- 2. If there are scabs or blisters, make-up should not be used for 3-4 days.
- 3. Avoid touching, rubbing, peeling or picking of the skin in treatment area, as this may cause hyper/hypo pigmentation, scarring or infection.
- 4. Gently apply pure Aloe Vera gel or antibiotic ointment to the treated area, twice daily until healed and dry
- 5. A "cold pack" may be placed over the treated area to reduce swelling and/or discomfort for the first 2-3 days. Discomfort is usually minimal but pain medication can also be taken for pain and swelling if required
 - 6. For 1 week post treatment, avoid: hot baths, showers, hot tubs and saunas.
 - 7. When showering and washing, gently pat dry and do not rub.
 - 8. Avoid strenuous exercise for 24-48 hours following clinical treatment.
 - 9. Avoid swimming in strong chlorinated water 24 hours after an IPL session.
 - 10. Hot and humid weather conditions can aggravate skin in the period immediately before and after treatment.

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