

Laser Hair Removal After Care Instructions

Post Treatment Instructions:

1. Immediately after the treatments, there should be redness and bumps at the treatment area, which may last up to 2 hours or longer. It is normal for the treated area to feel like sunburn for a few hours. You should use a cold compress if needed. If any crusting, apply antibiotic cream. Some physicians recommend aloe vera gel or some other after sunburn treatment such as Destin. Darker pigmented people may have more discomfort than lighter skin people and may require the aloe vera gel or an antibiotic ointment longer.
2. Makeup may be used after treatment, unless there is epidermal blistering. It is recommended to use new makeup to reduce the possibility of infection. Just make sure that you have moisturizer on under your makeup. In fact, moisturizer will help the dead hair exfoliate from the follicle, so use moisturizer frequently and freely on the treated area. Any moisturizer without alpha-hydroxy acids will work.
3. Avoid sun exposure to reduce the chance of dark or light spots for 2 months. Use sunscreen SPF 25 or higher at all times throughout the treatment.
4. Avoid picking or scratching the treated skin. **DO NOT USE** any other hair removal methods or products on the treated area during the course of your laser treatments, as it will prevent you from achieving your best results.
5. You may shower after the laser treatments, and use soap, deodorant, etc. The treated area may be washed gently with a mild soap. Skin should be patted dry and **Not** rubbed. Under arm areas, that have been treated, should be wiped with alcohol for 24 hours. You may apply deodorant after 24 hours.
6. Anywhere from 5-30 days after the treatment, shedding of the hair may occur and this may appear as new hair growth. This is not new hair growth, but dead hair pushing its way out of the follicle. You can help the hair exfoliate by washing or wiping with a washcloth.
7. Hair re-growth occurs at different rates on different areas of the body. New hair growth will not occur for at least three weeks after treatment.
8. Call your physician's office with any questions or concerns you may have after the treatment.

Please Note: Stubbles, representing dead hair being shed from the hair follicle, will appear within 10-20 days from the treatment date. This is normal and will fall out quickly.