

## BBL: PRE & POST TREATMENT CARE

### **BBL™ Is A Proven Patient Favorite To Achieve Beautiful Skin!**

BBL delivers light energy to gently heat the upper layers of your skin. The heat absorbed by the targeted areas will stimulate your skin cells to regenerate. In addition, the light energy penetrates deep into the skin to boost your body's natural ability to fight the appearance of aging. The result? Skin that's naturally beautiful and visibly younger looking!

These pre-care and post-care instructions are intended to guide you through the treatment process and get you on your way to naturally beautiful skin!

### **What Should You Do Before Your Treatment?**

- Use sunscreen and physical sun protection.
- Avoid extended sun exposure, i.e., beach, travel to sunny locations, sunbathing, sports outdoors.
- Inform your BBL clinician if any physician has ordered Accutane for you in the last 6 months.
- Inform your doctor of any medical conditions or medications you are taking that might sensitize you to light, affect wound healing or affect coagulation.

### **What Can You Expect During Your Treatment?**

- The procedure is typically gentle and safe.
- There is no need for a topical anesthetic, however, your clinician may choose to use it.
- Your eyes will be protected with safety shields or glasses.
- You may briefly feel a warm or rubber band snap sensation as the light is absorbed.

### **What Should You Do After Your Treatment?**

- You may experience some redness in the treatment area that should resolve within a few hours.
- You may notice darkening of your pigmented spots, followed by fading and flaking off at a later stage.
- Follow your clinician's aftercare plan until skin is completely healed – typically one week after the treatment. The skin on your body might take longer to heal, compared to your face.

There is virtually no downtime after this non-invasive and gentle procedure. In most cases, you are able to apply make-up, return to work and resume most of your activities immediately.

**TIPS & TRICKS**

- Use soft wash cloth and towels to avoid any scrubbing.
- Wear a wide-brimmed hat or sun protecting clothing post treatment to avoid blistering, scarring, hyperpigmentation and hypopigmentation.

**WATCH-OUTS**

- If the treated area is especially warm within the first 12 hours after the treatment, a cold compress or ice pack can be used to provide comfort.
- If the skin appears red or swollen (sunburn sensation), an icepack can provide comfort, same as Vitamin E or Aloe Vera applied to the treatment area. In rare cases, oral pain relievers, i.e., Extra Strength Tylenol or Advil, may be used.
- While the skin is healing, avoid anything that will irritate the skin, such as exfoliants, shaving, too hot or too cold water and swimming pools and spas with multiple chemicals/chlorine.

**WARNING**

- In the unusual case of broken skin or blistering, contact the office immediately. Keep the affected area moist and avoid direct sunlight.

**Skin Care Recommendations**

The care for your skin pre and post treatment is just as important as the treatment itself.

**1. CLEANSING**

Cleanse the skin two times a day with plain, lukewarm water, and a gentle cleanser. Use your hands and fingertips to cleanse using gentle patting motions. **DO NOT** rub, scrub, use an exfoliant or skin care brush, such as a Clarisonic in the treated area.

**2. MOISTURIZER**

Moisturizer should be applied generously with clean hands over treated area and reapplied whenever your skin feels dry.

**3. SUNSCREEN**

Sunscreen is a **MUST** and should be used daily beginning the day of treatment and used consistently. Use sunscreen with Broadband UVA and UVB protection and a SPF of at least 30. Ensure to reapply during sun exposure. **DO NOT** expose your skin to direct sun exposure for 14 days. The treated area is more prone to sunburn and pigmentation change.