

## CONSENT FOR LASER/LIGHT BASED TREATMENT

I authorize \_\_\_\_\_\_ to perform laser/pulsed light cosmetic dermatology treatments on me, including but not limited to deep tissue heating, soft tissue coagulation, hair removal, treatment of pigmented lesions, vascular lesions, acne, and/or wrinkles or tattoo removal.

I understand that the procedure is purely elective, that the results vary with each individual, and that multiple treatments may be necessary.

## I understand that:

- Serious complications are rare, but possible.
- Common side effects include temporary redness and mild "sunburn" like effects that may last a few hours to 3-4 days or longer.
- Pigment changes, including hypopigmentation (lightening of the skin) or hyperpigmentation (darkening of the skin), lasting 1-6 months or longer may occur.
- Freckles may temporarily or permanently disappear in treated areas.
- Other potential risks include crusting, itching, pain, bruising, burns, infection, scabbing, scarring, swelling, and failure to achieve the desired result.
- Lasers/intense pulsed light can cause eye injury and protective eyewear must be worn during treatment.
- I understand that sun or tanning lamp exposure and not adhering to the post-care instructions provided to me may increase my chance of complications.
- I understand the importance of having an accurate diagnosis of pigmented lesions (brown spots on the skin) by a physician prior to treatment, as treatment of an undiagnosed skin cancer may delay proper medical care.
- I understand the importance of having an accurate diagnosis before vein treatments by a physician prior to treatment, as treatment of an undiagnosed vein/artery blockage may delay proper medical care. Our treatments are strictly cosmetic.

I consent to photographs being taken to evaluate treatment effectiveness, for medical education, training, professional publications or sales purposes. No photographs revealing my Identify will be used without my written consent. If my identity is not revealed, these photographs may be used and displayed publicly without my permission.

I freely consent to the proposed treatment. By signing below, I certify that I have read and fully understand this consent form as well as the attached Exclusionary Criteria, that the procedure, potential benefits and risks, along with the before and after treatment instructions have been explained to me, and that all of my questions have been answered.

Patient's Signature:	Date:
Print Name:	
Witness Signature:	Date:
Print Name:	



## 2940 Ablative Resurfacing Treatment Pre-treatment requirements:

- Tell us if there has been any change in medical history since your last visit.
- Tell us if you have taken Accutane in the past 6 months. No Accutane 1 month prior to treatment.
- Use SPF 30 sunblock to treatment areas that are sun exposed for 2-4 weeks prior to treatment. This will reduce the chance of increased irritation during treatment.
- Although tretenoin use in the area to be treated is not absolutely contraindicated, it is known to make
  skin more sensitive and prone to exfoliation. It is better to discontinue the use of exfoliating creams and
  other exfoliating products two weeks prior to and during the entire treatment course.
- Active infections and immunosuppression compromise the healing ability of the body. Please contact our
  office if you develop an active infection of any kind to reschedule treatment to a time when infection is
  cleared.
- Treatment should only be applied to intact, healthy skin, with the exception of acne-affected skin.
   Please reschedule if area to be treated has open lesions.
- If you have previously suffered from facial cold sores, there is a risk that this treatment could contribute to a recurrence. Speak to your physician about medications that may minimize a recurrence.
- Skin in the treatment area should be clean and hair free except for the topical anesthetic which should be applied as directed before coming for your appointment.
- Do NOT use tetracyclines, vibramycin, erythromycin, Zithromax or St. John's Wort for seven days prior to treatment. These can make you photosensitive.
- Diabetic patients must have clearance for this treatment from their primary care physician.

## **Post-Treatment Care**

- Tell us if there has been any change in medical history since your last visit.
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