

AGNES PRE- AND POST CARE

Pre-Treatment Instructions

- Avoid the following prior to the Agnes procedure
 - NSAIDS or blood thinners for 1 week
 - Chemical peels for 4 weeks
 - LED or laser treatments for 4 weeks
 - Ablative lasers such as Halo Pro for 12 weeks
 - Retin A or retinols for 4 weeks
 - Sun or sunless tanner for 2 weeks
- Understand the following contraindications to Agnes
 - Current active herpes outbreak or vascular lesions in the treatment area
 - Poor wound healing capabilities or easy keloid formation
 - Any patients with a pacemaker, defibrillator, or any implanted electrical or metal device
 - Patients with any metal that is not safe enough for an MRI located close to treatment area
 - Active cancer
 - Pregnancy or breastfeeding
 - Weakened immune systems or any active, uncontrolled autoimmune disease
 - Poorly controlled endocrine diseases such as diabetes
 - Blood coagulation disorders
- Suggested Pre-Care includes
 - Preparing the skin with facials and skin care products
 - Skin that is well conditioned and strong will recover quickly and allow for the maximum benefits

Post-Treatment Instructions

- Immediately after treatment, redness, dryness, bruising and/or swelling can occur. Use of a cold compress or ice pack help provide comfort. Apply ice packs 3-5 times a day for 3-5 minutes for 3-5 days.
- Itching, redness, tenderness and/or numbness may be experienced during the healing phase and is completely normal. Oral Benadryl or other antihistamine may help itching and swelling especially if you had treatment under the eyes. Since Benadryl may cause drowsiness, use it at night and use Claritin or other non-drowsy antihistamine each morning. DO NOT scratch the treated area.
- Do not apply any products to your face for at least 6 hours post treatment.
- Do not wash your face the night of treatment. Then you may use a gentle cleanser the next day.
- You may return to your regular skin routine the morning after your treatment.
- Keep skin hydrated with Cicalfate or Aquaphor twice a day.
- Avoid Retin A, glycolic or salicylic acids or hydroquinone for the next week.
- Avoid direct sunlight and use SPF over 30 for at least the next week.
- Avoid places that may create infection such as gyms, hospitals, day cares and dirty water (lakes, rivers, swimming pools, etc.) for 3 days.
- Do not sleep with your pets or have them lick/touch the treated area for 48 hours.
- Do not apply makeup for 12 hours post treatment. Ensure brushes are clean prior to use.
- “Collagen balls” may form, especially under the eyes. If this occurs, gently massage them using moisturizer and your fingertips 3 times a day at least. They will resolve.
- If Duoderm (a patch to reduce swelling and prevent infection) was placed on your skin, leave on until the next day if possible. Then remove gently. Do not rip off quickly.
- If you desire, make an appointment for Lightwave procedure tomorrow and every other day for 3 treatments total to help healing and bruising. These are complimentary.
- Make a follow up appointment with RMD for 2 weeks but call if any concerns in the meantime.