

## BBL Forever Bare Intense Pulsed Light (IPL) Pre & Post-Treatment Instructions

## **PRE-TREATMENT INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Patients with a suntan or sunburn cannot be treated and will be rescheduled. All tans result in more absorption of laser energy and increase risk of burns; this is a standard contraindication. Active sunburns are an absolute contraindication and the treatment cannot be performed.
- For hair reduction treatments patients must shave 24 hours prior to treatment; do <u>not</u> shave the treatment area on the day of treatment.
- Patients must utilize a SPF 30 (or above) daily regimen.
- Patients will <u>not</u> be treated with IPL if they were treated within the past 14 days with cosmetic injectables (Botox, fillers, etc.).
- Patients with an active sore or lesion on/near (provider discretion) the same anatomical structure intended to be treated cannot undergo IPL treatment.
  - Example: Patient presents with a large wound on the right forearm with the plan for laser hair removal to the same arm.

## **POST-TREATMENT INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Avoid products/cleansers with glycolic acid, salicylic acid, or benzoyl peroxide for 7 10 days post treatment.
- Apply sunscreen (minimum of SPF 30) before and after (we will apply sunscreen post treatment) treatment to protect your skin
- The area treated may be red and swollen
- Do NOT scratch or scrub the area as this can lead to scaring.
- Possible Pigmentation changes: Changes in pigmentation have been noted after treatment, especially with a darker completion. This usually resolves within 24 hours. AVOIDING sun exposure (and tanning beds, which we <u>strongly</u> advise against using, at all times) after treatment is crucial to reduce the risk of color change.
- Makeup (mineral) may be used post treatment.
- All treatments may not be scheduled any sooner than 4 weeks, <u>and</u> no later than 6 weeks, from the prior treatment.

## Please call our office at 541-200-2777 should any concerns arise.