

## FRACTIONAL CO2 LASER PRE-TREATMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for choosing About Face & Body Medical Spa. In our efforts to provide you with the best possible service, we ask that you carefully review these Skin Rejuvenation Pre-Treatment instructions. To obtain the maximum benefit from your skin rejuvenation treatment, it is crucial that you understand and adhere to these instructions.

- 1. Please follow all guidelines set forth in the treatment consent form. Discuss your medical history, medications, allergies, skin typing and any tendency for scarring or poor healing with your consultant.
- 2. Please be sure that you arrange for a driver the day of your treatment so that comfort medications may be given prior to your treatment.
- 3. For moderate to aggressive full-face treatments, we prescribe anti-infection medications. If you were prescribed these medications, we advise you to have them filled before treatment. If you and unsure, please contact the office prior to your treatment.
- 4. Avoid sun tanning or tanning creams for at least 4 weeks prior to treatments. This will also be required for at least 4 weeks after treatment.
- 5. Avoid products containing tretinoin/Retin-A for 1 week prior to treatment. Do not use glycolic acid or other alpha hydroxyl acid products for 1 week prior to treatment. These medications and products increase your skin's sensitivity, which can significantly increase the likelihood of complications.
- 6. Avoid the use of aspirin, ibuprofen, omega-3 fish oil and other anti-inflammatory or blood thinning medications for 7 days prior to treatment, as these will increase the likelihood of pin point bleeding after treatment.
- 7. Do not have any open sores or skin infections in the treatment area.
- 8. No waxing, sugaring, threading or other epilation (hair removal treatments) the week before treatments. Shaving is permitted.
- 9. Prior to your appointment, please have the following items on hand at home:
  - Benadryl 25mg
  - 4x4 gauze pads
  - Distilled water 1 gallon
  - Distilled white vinegar
  - Aquaphor ointment
- 10. Take ¾ cup out of distilled water and replace with ¾ cup white vinegar and place in refrigerator.