

# Arizona Laser Skin Solutions

PATIENTS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## The following points have been discussed with me:

- The probability of success: Complete removal cannot be guaranteed due to the number of colors, various type of inks, and the variable training and abilities of the tattooist. The number of treatments required is only an estimate, and not a guarantee.
- Skin products to stop using: Retin-A and Retin-A like products, alpha-hydroxy acids and astringents for at least one week, TCN for at least one week, Accutane for 6 months and no skin resurfacing procedures in the last 6 to 8 months.

## Patients with the following conditions are at risk.

- Tanning within the preceding 6 weeks
- Active skin infection or a history of herpes simplex or shingles in the treatment area
- A history of keloid scarring
- Use of Accutane within the preceding 6 months

## I am aware of the following possible experiences/risks/complications with Laser Surgery:

- **DISCOMFORT** – Some discomfort may be experienced during laser treatment. Topical anesthetic cream may be helpful if the patient desires to utilize it.
- **WOUND HEALING**- Laser surgery may result in swelling, blistering, graying, crusting, scabbing and/or flaking of the treated area, which may require one to three weeks to heal. Once the surface has healed, it may be pink and sensitive to the sun for an additional two to four weeks or longer in some patients.
- **BRUISING/SWELLING/INFECTION**- With some lasers, bruising of the treated area may occur. Additionally, there may be some swelling noted, especially when the face or neck area is treated. Finally, skin infection can occur anytime a skin procedure is performed.
- **SKIN COLOR (PIGMENT) CHANGES**- During the healing process, there is a possibility of the treated area becoming either lighter or darker in color than the surrounding skin. This is usually temporary, but, on a rare occasion, may be permanent. Following the pre and post treatment instructions can minimize it.
- **SCARRING** – Scarring is a rare occurrence, but it is a possibility when the skin's surface is disrupted. To minimize the chances of scarring, it is **important** that you follow all post-operative instructions carefully.
- **EYE EXPOSURE** –Protective eyewear (shields) will be provided. It is **important** to keep these shields on all the time during the treatment in order to protect your eyes from accidental laser exposure.
- **IMMUNE RESPONSE** – A very rare delayed immune response may be possible. This may include a severe allergic reaction anaphylaxis or arthritis. Your risk for this may be higher if you have a family member or relative with Lupus, Rheumatoid Arthritis, or any type of autoimmune disease.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- **The procedure for laser pigmented lesion, vein and tattoo removal has been explained to me. The potential risks, benefits and results of the procedure, and the available alternatives have been fully discussed with me. While rare, unexpected risks or complications not discussed may occur. These laser treatments are predictable and effective in most cases. However, no guarantees can be made as to the final results in-patients.**
- **By my signature below, I certify that I have read and fully understand that contents of this permission for surgical care form and that disclosures referred to herein were made to me.**
- **I authorize before, during and after the laser procedure (s) the taking of photographs. I understand these photographs may be used for public education, medical research and documentation for my medical record.**

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Patient or Guardian's Signature and Date

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Printed Name / Relationship if minor

**I have explained the above statements to the patient and answered all questions**

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Representative's Signature and Date

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Print Name / Position