

# PRE & POST TREATMENT INSTRUCTIONS

## **\*** PHOTOFACIAL

Intense Pulsed Light (IPL) therapy, commonly known as a photofacial, is a noninvasive skin treatment that uses broad-spectrum light to treat various skin concerns. Unlike lasers, which use a single wavelength of light, IPL uses multiple wavelengths, allowing it to penetrate different layers of skin. This makes it an effective solution for improving skin tone, texture, and pigmentation.

## **\*** BENEFITS

- Reduces Sun Damage: IPL is highly effective in treating sunspots, age spots, and other types of hyperpigmentation caused by UV exposure.
- Treats Rosacea and Redness: IPL can help diminish the appearance of redness and visible blood vessels, making it ideal for those with rosacea.
- Improves Skin Texture: The light energy stimulates collagen production, which helps reduce the appearance of fine lines, wrinkles, and overall skin texture.
- Targets Acne and Acne Scars: IPL can reduce inflammation and kill acne-causing bacteria, helping to improve active acne and minimize scarring.
- Brightens Complexion: By targeting pigmentation issues, IPL creates a more even skin tone, leading to a brighter, rejuvenated complexion.



### WHO IS CANDITATE?

- · Consider adding weekly B12 injections and IV Nutrition to maintain energy, boost metabolism, and flush lymphatic systemSkin Type: IPL is best suited for those with lighter skin tones (Fitzpatrick I-III), as it may not be safe for darker skin tones.
- Skin Concerns: Ideal for clients looking to treat pigmentation issues, sun damage, visible veins, redness, and mild skin texture concerns.
- Expectations: Candidates should have realistic expectations and understand that results may require multiple sessions.

#### PRE-PROCEDURE

- Avoid Sun Exposure: No direct sun exposure for at least 2 weeks before treatment. Apply broadspectrum sunscreen daily if you need to be outdoors.
- Discontinue Certain Skincare Products: Stop using retinoids, glycolic acid, and exfoliating products 1 week prior to your session.
- No Tanning: Avoid tanning (sun, tanning beds, and self-tanners) for 2 weeks before the treatment.
- Avoid Certain Medications: Refrain from bloodthinning and anti-inflammatory medications (like aspirin and ibuprofen) 1-2 days before treatment to reduce the risk of bruising.
- Arrive with Clean Skin: Come to your appointment with a makeup-free, lotion-free face.

# POST-PROCEDURE

- Redness and Swelling: Mild redness and swelling are common and can last up to 48 hours. Apply a cold compress to soothe the area.
- Protect from Sun Exposure: Avoid direct sun exposure for at least 2 weeks posttreatment, as your skin is more sensitive. Apply SPF 30 or higher daily.
- Avoid Heat: No hot baths, saunas, steam rooms, or intense exercise for 24-48 hours.
- Gentle Cleansing: Use a mild cleanser and avoid scrubbing or exfoliating for at least 1 week post-treatment.
- Avoid Makeup & Topicals: Refrain from using makeup or other skincare products (including moisturizers) for the first 24 hours.
- Expect Dark Spots: Brown spots may darken before they flake off within 7-10 days. Avoid picking to prevent scarring.
- **Avoid Additional Treatments:** No chemical peels, microdermabrasion, or other facial treatments for 2-4 weeks post-treatment.

