

***Cosmetic Surgery Center of Maryland***

**PATIENT CONSENT FORM  
FOR TREATMENT OF VASCULAR LESIONS**

I hereby authorize and direct Dr. Cohen, Dr. Lickstein, or any delegated associates, to remove or lighten the appearance of vascular and/or pigmented lesions. The procedure involves using a laser or pulsed light device to coagulate the vessels or vascular lesions. I understand it may take multiple treatments to obtain optimal results and it is possible that the results will be minimal or not help at all. Light based devices will not prevent you from developing new veins. Although these devices are effective in most cases, no guarantees can be made.

I am aware of the following possible experiences/risks:

- **DISCOMFORT** – Some discomfort may be experienced during treatment.
- **REDNESS/SWELLING/BRUISING** –Short term redness (erythema) is common and swelling (edema) of the treated area may occur. Additionally, there may be some bruising.
- **PIGMENT CHANGES (Skin Color)** – During the healing process, there is a slight possibility that the treated area can become either lighter (hypopigmentation) or darker (hyperpigmentation) in color compared to the surrounding skin. This is usually temporary, but, on a rare occasion, it may be permanent.
- **WOUNDS** – Treatment can result in burning, blistering or bleeding of the treated areas. If any of these occur, please call our office.
- **INFECTION** - Infection is a rare possibility whenever the skin surface is disrupted, though proper wound care should prevent this. If signs of infection develop, such as pain, heat or surrounding redness, please call our office 410-321-8989.
- **SCARRING** – Scarring is a rare occurrence, but it is a possibility if the skin’s surface is disrupted. To minimize the changes of scarring, it is **IMPORTANT** that you follow all post-treatment instructions carefully.
- **EYE EXPOSURE** – Protective eyewear (shields) will be provided. It is important to keep these shields on at all times during the treatment in order to protect your eyes from injury.

The following points have been discussed with me:

- The potential benefits of the proposed procedure.
- The possible alternative procedures, such as sclerotherapy or surgery.
- The probability of success.
- The reasonably anticipated consequences if the procedure is not performed.
- The most likely possible complications/risks involved with the proposed procedure and subsequent healing period.
- Post treatment instructions.

For women of childbearing age: By signing below I indicate that I am not pregnant. Furthermore, I agree to keep staff informed should I become pregnant in the course of treatment.

Photographic documentation will be taken. I hereby do \_\_\_do not\_\_\_ authorize the use of my photographs for teaching purposes.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

**BY MY SIGNATURE BELOW, I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THIS PERMISSION FORM FOR TREATMENT OF VASCULAR LESIONS AND THAT THE DISCLOSURES REFERRED TO HEREIN WERE MADE TO ME.**

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**Signature-Patient or Guardian**

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**Print Name/Relationship**

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**Date**

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**Signature-Witness**

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