

# Thermage Pre & Post Care Instructions

Thermage is ideal for individuals with active lifestyles who do not wish to experience the healing time of ablative procedures or surgery. The procedure requires no “downtime” so patients can resume their regular activities shortly after treatment. Thermage is indicated for the treatment of wrinkles and modest tightening of the skin, contouring of the treatment area, and collagen regeneration. The treatment is not intended to be a substitute for a surgical facelift or ablative skin resurfacing. During the treatment, you will experience heat but should only experience moderate discomfort. The use of pain medication and/or relaxant assists with the level of discomfort and can be recommended for certain patients. For your convenience and comfort, we can provide these prescriptions prior to your procedure.

## **Contraindications**

Active implants, such as cardiac pacemaker or permanent implant in the treatment area. Significant concurrent illness, such as diabetes, congestive heart disease, epilepsy, and other neurological disorders. Active infection, immunosuppressive diseases & medications, and pregnant/nursing patients.

## **Thermage Pre-Care Instructions**

Topical Care:

- Remove all makeup and skin care products prior to beginning of treatment. Hair should be pulled back and away from the face for best application.
- Remove contact lenses if having Thermage eyes procedure.
- Remove all jewelry prior to arriving for your appointment.
- Take prescriptions 45 minutes to 1 hour before arriving for your appointment.
- Notify your provider of any tattooed area or permanent makeup on the face prior to treatment.

## **Thermage Post Care Instructions**

Topical Care:

- Please ensure that the area is well moisturized with frequent applications of a non-perfumed topical moisturizer ideally containing an SPF of 30 or greater for at least 1-week post treatment.
- Do not irritate treated area chemically (such as harsh acne products) or mechanically for 1-2 days after treatment
- Makeup may be applied immediately after treatment

Bathing:

- Wash treated area gently with mild soap and water. If treated area is irritated, the area should not be rubbed with a face cloth or towel. The area should be patted dry.

Avoiding the use of NSAIDs:

- Aspirin & aspirin containing products should be avoided for at least 2 weeks post treatment. You may use Tylenol for discomfort if necessary.

Activities:

- PLEASE NOTE: If sedation medication was taken prior to treatment, do not drive or operate machinery for four hours after your treatment.
- Provided that there is no persistent redness, blistering, or crusting present in the treatment area, you may resume all normal activities.

Adverse Events:

- Please contact your provider immediately if you notice any blistering, redness, crusting, tenderness, or any other changes that may concern you.

Follow-up Photographs:

- Remember that Thermage continues to work gradually for approximately 6 months post-treatment. You should return for follow-up photographs at 6-month intervals to evaluate results.

**I have received a copy of the Pre and Post Treatment Instructions for Thermage.**

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Patient Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please call or email if you have any questions of concerns**

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