### MICRONEEDLING AFTER CARE

#### First 24 Hours Post-Treatment

- 1. **Do Not Touch Your Face**: Avoid touching, scratching, or picking at the treated area.
- 2. **Avoid Cleansing**: Do not wash your face for the first 12–24 hours to allow your skin to begin its healing process.
- 3. **No Makeup**: Refrain from using makeup, as your pores are more open and susceptible to irritation.
- 4. **Sun Protection**: Stay out of direct sunlight and avoid tanning beds. If you must go outdoors, wear a wide-brimmed hat.

### Day 2-7: Caring for Your Skin

- 1. **Cleansing**: Use a gentle, non-exfoliating cleanser to wash your face twice daily. Avoid harsh scrubs or exfoliants.
- 2. **Hydration**: Apply a soothing, hydrating serum or moisturizer as directed by your provider. Hyaluronic acid-based products are ideal.
- 3. **Sun Protection**: Wear a broad-spectrum SPF 30 or higher every day, even if you're indoors or it's cloudy.
- 4. **Avoid Irritants**: Do not use retinoids, alpha hydroxy acids (AHAs), beta hydroxy acids (BHAs), or any active skincare ingredients for at least 5–7 days.
- 5. **No Heat**: Avoid hot showers, saunas, or intense exercise that causes excessive sweating for at least 48 hours.

# What to Expect

- **Redness**: Your skin may appear red and feel like a mild sunburn for the first 1–3 days.
- **Peeling or Flaking**: Mild peeling or dryness may occur as your skin heals. Do not pick or peel any flaking skin.
- **Sensitivity**: Your skin may feel tight, sensitive, or slightly swollen—this is normal and will subside.

## **Avoid These Activities for 7 Days**

- Swimming or soaking in hot tubs.
- Exfoliating treatments like scrubs or chemical peels.
- Laser treatments or waxing on the treated area.

• Excessive sun exposure.

### When to Contact Us

If you experience any of the following, contact our office immediately:

- Excessive redness or swelling lasting more than 3 days.
- Signs of infection, such as pus, increased warmth, or severe pain.
- Any other concerns or unusual symptoms.

# **Maximizing Your Results**

- Drink plenty of water to support your skin's healing process.
- Follow up with any recommended products or treatments as advised by your provider.

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