



CRYOSURGERY

Cryosurgery is the treatment of lesions with the application of a cold substance. In most cases, liquid nitrogen is used to destroy the lesion(s).

After the treatment with liquid nitrogen there may be some burning sensation or pain that can last up to 36 hours. The discomfort can be relieved with extra strength Tylenol or similar pain relief medication.

Within 12 to 48 hours a blister may form. **DO NOT** open this blister should one appear. The blister will dry up, and turn into a scab. Within a few weeks the scabbed lesion will fall off.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CARE

- 1.) Wash your hands with mild soap and water
- 2.) **Cleanse** the blister site with **Mild Soap** and **Water**
- 3.) Thoroughly dry the area and apply a small amount of **antibiotic ointment** (preferably **Bacitracin**) or plain **Vaseline**
- 4.) Place a small dressing or band-aid over the area until it appears healed
- 5.) Follow steps 1-4 **TWICE DAILY** until the area is healed

Call the office if signs of infection occur (redness, swelling, heat, increased pain, yellow or green discharge)