



# Renaissance Clinique

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## **CONSENT FORM for PHOTO FACIAL/SKIN REJUVENATION with IPL**

IPL can be used effectively to destroy targets located in the skin with minimum damage to the surrounding tissues. Light is used to lighten, fade or remove photo-damaged skin in a non-ablative manner, a procedure known as photo-rejuvenation. Visible signs of photo damage include mild wrinkling, enlarged pores, coarse skin texture, and pigment alterations.

Photo-rejuvenation, despite its high levels of efficacy and safety, is not free of side effects. Erythema (redness) and edema (swelling) of the treated area can occur but usually subsides within a few hours but can last up to seven days. Irritation, itching, and/or a mild burning sensation or pain similar to sunburn may occur within 48 hours of treatment.

Pigmentary changes such as hyper pigmentation and hypo pigmentation of the skin in the treated areas can occasionally occur. Mostly it is transient, lasting up to three months, but in rare cases it can be permanent. Most cases of hypo- or hyper-pigmentation occur in people with darker skin or when the treated area has been exposed to sunlight before or after treatment. Occasionally these pigmentary changes occur despite appropriate protection from the sun.

Scarring, which can be hypertrophic or even keloid, is very rare but can occur. Other known complications of this procedure include blisters, reddening, pinpoint pitted scars, bruising, superficial crusting, burns, pain, and infections. These side effects are usually temporary, lasting from five to ten days, but in rare cases can be permanent. The skin at or near the treatment site may become fragile. If this happens, makeup should be avoided and the area should not be rubbed, as this might tear the skin. A blue-purple bruise may appear on the treated area, which might last from five to ten days. As the bruise fades, there may be rust-brown discoloration of this skin, which fades in one to three months.

Additionally, there is a known and expected loss of hair in the treated area, in very rare cases this could be permanent.

Even though appropriate measures are taken to reduce side effects, they cannot be completely eliminated in every case. I understand that the treatment may involve risks of complication or injury from both known and unknown causes. There may be other treatment options, such as injections, and other types of lasers/light sources or peels.

Eye damage can occur from the light and therefore protective eyewear must be worn during all IPL sessions.

I have read and understand the Pre and Post-Treatment Instructions. I agree to follow these instructions carefully. I understand that compliance with recommended pre and post procedure guidelines are crucial for healing, prevention of scarring, and other side effects and complications such as hyper pigmentation, hypo pigmentation, and other skin textural changes.



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I am aware that follow-up treatments may be necessary for desired results. Most patients require a number of treatments for the best result.

My questions regarding this procedure have been answered satisfactory. I understand the procedure and risks.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_