

Wound Care Instructions Liquid Nitrogen/Cryotherapy

Dr. Domingues performed **Cryotherapy/Liquid Nitrogen** treatment.

INITIAL CARE

□ Apply Aquaphor or Vaseline to treated areas twice daily for 5 days.

DAILY DRESSING CARE

- □ You may cover areas with a small bandaid to avoid irritation if you would like. Otherwise, you do not need to cover. □ If a blister occurs, you may pop it with a sterile needle, but keep the roof of the blister intact as it acts like a natural bandaid
- □ Keep any resulting wound **GREASY** with ointment and **COVERED** at all times until healed. It may take several days until fully healed.

BLEEDING:

□ Is very unusual with liquid nitrogen. If light bleeding occurs, apply direct pressure over the wound for 20 minutes with a clean cloth.

DISCOMFORT:

- □ You may ice the area for 10 -15 minutes every hour for the first 24 48 hours while awake.
- □ For pain, take Tylenol (acetaminophen) every 6 hours or ibuprofen as needed.
 - □ **DO NOT** stop aspirin if you currently take a daily aspirin.

INFECTION:

- □ Infection is very rare with liquid nitrogen treatment. Signs of infection include increasing pain, redness, swelling, drainage, red streaks, or fever. If you develop a fever or red streaking, go to urgent care or the emergency room immediately.
- □ If you experience any signs of infection, call the office right away during working hours.

PHONE NUMBERS TO CALL (Please call us with any questions or concerns)

□ Weekdays 7AM – 4PM Call the Clinic and ask for the nurse.