

## PRE AND POST CARE INSTRUCTIONS RF (RADIOFREQUENCY) ABLATION

## **Pre Treatment**

- Shower and wash your legs thoroughly.
- Do not put cream or lotion on your legs.
- Please wear loose fitting slacks or sweats the day of your procedure and bring your stockings and a pair of loose fitting shorts.
- We encourage you to have a small meal 1 to 2 hours prior to your procedure and to stay well hydrated before your arrival time.
- Start taking chewable 81mg (baby) aspirin twice a day (24 hours) the day before your procedure and continue taking it daily for 1 month after your last procedure.
- Do not take Ibuprofen while you are taking Aspirin
- No trips by plane or car for more than 4 hours for 2 weeks before and after the procedure.
- (OPTIONAL) Begin applying Dermaka Cream to the abnormal veins 5 days prior to starting treatment to help decrease bruising and discoloration until resolved. This can be purchased at Eterna for \$34.

## **Post Treatment**

- You will go home and elevate your legs for 2 hours immediately following your procedure.
- You may resume most of your pre-procedure activities, including work within a few hours.
- Walking is encouraged and promotes speedy healing.
- You will wear your compression stocking for 24 hours and then remove the stocking and bandaids and shower.
- You will need to wear the stocking 24 hours a day for 1 week, removing it for showers.
- Avoid prolonged sitting or standing for the first week.
- Elevate your legs at least 3 times a day for 5-10 minutes for the first week.
- Avoid strenuous activities, heavy lifting, exercise that involves the core, HOT tubs, HOT baths, HOT showers and HOT saunas for the first week.
- No trips by plane or car for more than 4 hours for 2 weeks before and after the procedure.

## We want you to be completely happy with your visit to Eterna! Call the office with any questions or concerns 253.268.3400 or after hours 253.249.6979.

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