

# A future with less acne is here

# PRE- AND POST-TREATMENT INSTRUCTIONS

### Before your AviClear<sup>™</sup> treatment

- Let your provider know if you have used **Isotretinoin (Accutane) within the last 6 months**.
- Avoid skin irritants (examples below) for 3-5 days before treatment.
  - Products containing tretinoin, retinol, benzoyl peroxide, glycolic/salicylic acids, vitamin C/ ascorbic acid, astringents, etc.
- No suntanning or self-tanners four weeks prior to treatment.
  - Includes spray tans, tanning lotions, tanning beds, sun exposure, etc.
- Notify clinic with any changes to your health history or medications since your last appointment.
- History of herpes or cold sores may require an antiviral prescription prior to treatment.
- Excess hair may need to be shaved. Men should be cleanly shaved.

## After your AviClear... treatment

Immediately post-treatment, apply a broadspectrum (UVA/UVB) SPF 30+ sunblock, whichshould be applied at least once daily.

Cold compresses or chilled gel packs may be applied post-treatment for your comfort.

If a blister develops, contact treatment provider.

#### **Post-treatment instructions:**

- Starting the morning after treatment, wash face with a gentle cleanser, followed by a gentle moisturizer every day twice a day for 7-10 days.
  - Resume regular skincare regimen 7-10 days after treatment.

Makeup can be applied the dayafter treatment.

Start applying UVA/UVB 30+ SPF sunblockdaily, starting the morning after treatment.

- Sunblock should be applied at least once daily, reapplying every 90-minutesif outside.
- Direct sun exposure should be minimized throughout the duration of thetreatment regimen.
- Most patients will experience mild redness of the treatment area, lasting up to one daypost-treatment.
- Some patients may experience swelling of thetreatment area lasting for as little as one hour or up to two days post-treatment.
- Some patients experience dryness and itchingof the treatment area up to four weeks post- treatment. Use a gentle moisturizer (e.g., CeraVe<sub>®</sub>, Cetaphil<sub>®</sub>).

• Roughly half of AviClear patients may experience post-inflammatory flareups after one or all of their treatments.

- · Condition may worsen before it improves
- Typically occurs seven or more days post-treatment
- · Can last a few weeks post-treatment
- Non-comedogenic makeup for acne-prone skin is okay to cover
- · Avoid heat (hot tubs, saunas, etc.) for 1-2 days post-treatment.
- Limit any exercise or activity that can cause sweating for 24 hours post-treatment.
- Avoid skin irritants (examples below) 7-10 days after treatment:
  - Products containing tretinoin, retinol, benzoyl peroxide, glycolic salicylic acids, vitamin C/ascorbic acid, astringents, etc.
  - Avoid treatments that may irritate the skin for 1-2 weeks after treatment (waxing, depilatories, etc.)

Contact us with any concerns such as blistering, excessive or prolonged redness/swelling, etc.

Additional instructions:

Clinic:

Contact at clinic:

Clinic phone number:

