

# AESTHETIC LASER CENTER of SEATTLE

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## LASER INFORMED CONSENT

I understand that the Cynosure Vectus Diode Laser &/or Palomar Starlux 500 Intense Pulsed Light Laser is intended for the treatment of laser hair reduction and skin discoloration. In my situation it will be performed by Aesthetic Laser Center of Seattle's Certified Laser Technician Specialists/ Licensed Estheticians.

I understand that the skin's response to this treatment is not 100% predictable and in some situations a test site will be recommended. This response will guide our Laser Specialists in determining the parameters of my treatment. In spite of a satisfactory response at the test site, my subsequent response at the treatment site is not guaranteed.

I understand that when the device is used for hair reduction, it may not be successfully accomplished without possibly producing some epidermal damage that will take extended time to resolve, and might develop a dark brown scale of devitalizing skin, which flakes off in less than 3 weeks. I understand the importance of having an accurate diagnosis by a dermatologist of brown spots, discolorations or unknown skin disorders prior to treatment, as undiagnosed skin cancer may delay proper medical care.

Laser hair reduction is an effective treatment for the reduction on unwanted hair. The Cynosure Vectus emits powerful light energy that targets and heats hair follicles. After the treatment, the follicles are damaged and permanently unable to produce new hairs, or can produce only very thin, tiny hairs that are virtually invisible.. I understand that when the device is used for hair reduction, the treatment will be ineffective if the area has been waxed or tweezed within 10 days of the treatment. It is recommended that the area to be treated is fully shaved within 24 hours before treatment. The treatment will also be ineffective if the target hair is light blond, gray or white in color. I also understand that no procedure is 100% effective and to receive the best result for hair reduction, I must follow the recommended regimen of treatments, which is typically treatments every 5-7 weeks without interruption. I understand that every person's skin reacts differently to every treatment.

I understand that a recent suntan, burn, use of tanning lamps or self tanning creams (within two weeks) is likely to result in a less comfortable and effective treatment or can cause pigment changes at the test or treatment site. I have and will notify the Certified Laser Technician Specialists/Licensed Esthetician when my last sun or tanning bed exposure occurred. I understand that it is my responsibility to inform him/her of my most recent sun exposure, new medications and changes in medical history before each subsequent treatment is performed.

I understand that a salicylic or glycolic acid treatment, Retina A, or prescription Retinol's, St. John's Wart, Antibiotics, and Obagi programs can adversely influence the skin's response to laser treatments or IPL. I will notify Aesthetic Laser Center of Seattle's Certified Laser Technician Specialist/Estheticians when my last exposure to any of these products occurred. I understand LHR is contraindicated in pregnancy and can lead to possible permanent pigment changes.

The total number of treatments will vary between individuals. On occasion there are patients that do not respond to treatments. In the treatment of laser hair removal, it can sometimes take between 8-12 treatments 5-7 weeks apart to rid a large percentage of the unwanted hair. I understand that the number of required treatments may sometime exceed the estimated number.

I understand that serious complications are rare, but possible. Common side effects include temporary redness and mild "sunburn" like affect that may last a few hours to 3-4 days or longer. Pigment changes lasting 1-6 months or longer may occur. Other potential risks include crusting, itching, bruising, burns, infection, scabbing, scarring, swelling, pigment changes and failure to achieve the desired result. In rare cases allergic reactions may occur. I agree to immediately notify Aesthetic Laser Center of Seattle's Specialists of any complications and should my test or treatment site respond in a manner that was not anticipated. Compliance with the aftercare guidelines is crucial for healing, prevention from scarring, and hyper-pigmentation.

We require a minimum of 48 hours advanced cancellation notice. Any patient/client giving less than 24 hours cancellation notice will be charged a \$50.00 no-show/late cancelation fee. I understand the there are **no refunds** and defective products must be returned within 14 days of purchase to receive credit.

My questions regarding the procedure have been answered to my satisfaction. I understand the procedure and accept the risks. I hereby release Siobhan Gebregiorgis, Brie Rosales and/or Amanda Gustafson and Aesthetic Laser Center of Seattle and Sarah Kabalka Medical Director from all liabilities associated with the above-indicated procedure. Please let either technician know prior to signing consent if you have any questions for our Medical Director, which they are entitled to ask regarding any and all procedures.

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

Witness \_\_\_\_\_