

**PATIENT INFORMED CONSENT FORM
FOR PICO GENESIS TREATMENT**

I hereby authorize Dr. _____ or _____, under Dr. _____'s supervision to perform PICO Genesis Treatment for Skin Revitalization or Melasma treatment on me. I understand that this procedure works to make diffuse or mottled pigment more uniform or for the temporary treatment of Melasma symptoms. I understand that multiple treatments are required and it is possible the result will be minimal or not help at all. Melasma patients should understand that treatment is maintenance of the Melasma symptoms and is not a permanent treatment.

I am aware of the following possible experiences/risks:

- DISCOMFORT – A warming sensation may be experienced during treatment.
- REDNESS/SWELLING/BRUISING – Short term redness (erythema) of the treated area is common and may occur. There also may be some swelling and/or bruising.
- SKIN COLOR CHANGES – During the healing process, there is a possibility that the treated area may become either lighter (hypopigmentation) or darker (hyperpigmentation) in color compared to the surrounding skin. This is usually temporary, but, on a rare occasion, it may be permanent.
- ITCHING/DRY SKIN – Treatment may result in itching and/or dry skin.
- RED RASH/BUMPS – Red rash/bumps may appear after treatment. This resolves with time.
- URTICARIC REACTION – Localized rash with or without redness and/or itching may appear up to 48 hours post-treatment. An anti-histamine can be administered or hydrocortisone can be applied. Symptoms should resolve within a few days.
- WOUNDS – Treatment can result in burning, blistering, or bleeding of the treated areas. If any of these occur, please call our office.
- INFECTION – Infection is a possibility whenever the skin surface is disrupted, although proper wound care should prevent this. If signs of infection develop, such as pain, heat, or surrounding redness, please call our office ____(Phone number)_____.
- SCARRING – Scarring is a rare occurrence, but it is a possibility if the skin surface is disrupted. To minimize the chances of scarring, it is IMPORTANT that you follow all post-treatment instructions provided by your healthcare staff.
- SUN EXPOSURE / TANNING BEDS / ARTIFICIAL TANNING - May increase risk of side effects and adverse events.
- EYE EXPOSURE – Protective eyewear (shields) will be provided to you during the treatment. Failure to wear eye shields during the entire treatment may cause severe and permanent eye damage.

I acknowledge the following points have been discussed with me:

- Potential benefits of the proposed procedure, including the possibility that the procedure may not work for me
- Alternative treatments such as topicals, microdermabrasion, or surgery
- Reasonably anticipated health consequences if the procedure is not performed.
- Possible complications/risks involved with the proposed procedure and subsequent healing period

For women of childbearing age: By signing below I confirm that I am not pregnant and do not intend to become pregnant anytime during the course of treatment. Furthermore, I agree to keep Dr. _____ and staff informed should I become pregnant during the course of treatment.

Photographic documentation will be taken. I hereby do ___do not___ authorize the use of my photographs for teaching purposes.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

BY MY SIGNATURE BELOW, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THIS INFORMED CONSENT FOR PICO GENESIS TREATMENT, AND THAT I HAVE HAD ALL MY QUESTIONS ANSWERED TO MY SATISFACTION BY MY HEALTHCARE TEAM.

Signature-Patient or Guardian

Print Name/Relationship

Date

Signature-Witness

Print Name

Date