

CO₂ Laser Fulguration of Genital Condyloma

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NATURE OF THE PROCEDURE

CO₂ laser fulguration of genital condyloma involves directing a laser beam to venereal wart lesions which results in vaporization and destruction of these lesions. The procedure is performed with local anesthesia and/or sedation depending on the extent of lesions. It usually only takes 5-15 minutes to perform.

INSTRUCTIONS PRIOR TO LASER TREATMENT

Do not eat or drink anything including water after midnight the evening prior to the operation. Do not smoke for at least 12 hours before or after the procedure and do not drink alcohol 24 hours prior to the procedure. Do not take aspirin or any aspirin-containing products or drugs containing Ibuprofen for 10 days prior to the scheduled treatment (see complete list). You can take Tylenol or ask your physician for recommendations. If you are taking anti-coagulants such as Coumadin, please consult with your physician, as this medication may need to be discontinued 5 days prior to the procedure. Leave all valuables at home and wear comfortable clothing. If you have HMO insurance, it is your responsibility to obtain referrals from your primary care physician.

DAY OF TREATMENT

After the operation you may return to either the recovery room or the Same Day Procedure Unit where you initially arrived.

AFTER THE TREATMENT

We recommend you apply an antibiotic ointment such Neosporin or Bacitracin to the treated area twice daily for a week. Your doctor may recommend further treatment after you are seen 2-3 weeks after the procedure. We recommend that you refrain from sexual intercourse until you are seen in the office. Once your lesions are healed we recommend use of a condom for 18 months. You must remember that you will be an HPV DNA Carrier with a risk of recurrent disease even after all visible disease is eradicated. You must also inform your partner of their risk of contracting venereal warts. If they are found to have lesions, they should also be treated to prevent transmission of active infection back and forth between you and your partner.

FOLLOW-UP APPOINTMENTS AND POSSIBLE STUDIES NEEDED

Call 610.323.5550 or 610.935.9011 to schedule an appointment to:

___ see Dr. Rose Leech Moreno, Kabler or Kalra in ___ day(s) or ___ week(s)