## Columbia Skin Clinic Electrolysis Post-Treatment Care

It is normal following electrolysis for the treated area to be red and slightly swollen. Both of these conditions usually disappear in an hour or two but can last longer.

The following post-treatment care suggestions should be followed for the first 24 to 48 hours after treatment.

In general, avoid any kind of activity that would subject the treated skin to irritating conditions while it is in the healing stage.

## More specifically:

- 1. Keep the area clean with alcohol, witch hazel, hydrogen peroxide, soap (fragrance-free) and water or other suitable antiseptics.
- 2. Keep your hands off the area. If any scabs appear following treatment, tell your electrologist about them at your next appointment. DO NOT pick them off.
- 3. Apply ice to the treated area to reduce any swelling if necessary.
- 4. If advised by your electrologist, apply an antibiotic cream, i.e., Neosporin, to help minimize infection in the treated area.
- 5. Do not use any abrasive scrubbing action on the treated areas.
- 6. Do not visit a tanning salon or get a sunburn on the treated area for at least two days.
- 7. Use only fresh make-up, purchased within the last 90 days to minimize infection.

If any reaction occurs which appears related to your electrolysis treatment, contact your electrologist for further care instructions.

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