

What is Cryosurgery?

Cryosurgery is the treatment of a lesion(s) with the application of a cold substance. In most cases, liquid nitrogen is used to destroy the lesion(s).

After treatment with liquid nitrogen, you may experience a burning sensation or pain that can last up to 24 hours. The discomfort can be relieved with extra strength Tylenol or similar pain relief medication.

Within 24 to 48 hours a blister may form. The blister will resolve on its own. Do not pop, peel or pick the blister.

Instructions for Wound Care (twice daily until healed)

1. Wash your hands with soap and water.
2. Clean the treated sites with:
 - a. Soap and water, rinse, then pat dry
 - b. Or you may also use a mixture consisting of half peroxide and half water.
 - c. If the treated area blisters, you may apply vaseline ointment until resolved.
3. A band-aid may be applied loosely over the blister until it is dry.
4. Call the office if signs of infection occur, such as redness, swelling, heat, increased pain, and/or yellow discharge.

If you have any questions, please call our office at (480) 556-0446.