

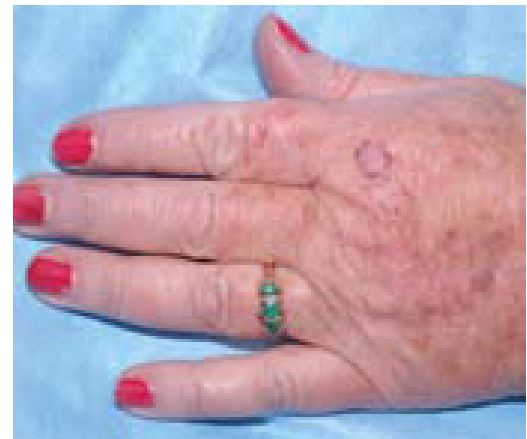
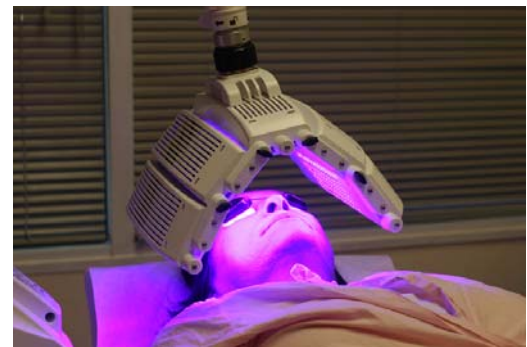
What's New At Natural Image

MedCenter?



Healthy, Natural Looking Skin

We're pleased to announce a new procedure in our office. Dr. Sikorski and our licensed Physician Assistant, Terri Cho, will now offer Photodynamic Therapy (PDT) for the treatment of Actinic Keratoses (precancerous growths). PDT utilizes a combination of Aminolevulinic acid (ALA) and light energy to prevent and destroy precancer cells, sun damaged skin, and rapidly-growing cells. The ALA is absorbed primarily by the abnormal cells found in Actinic Keratoses and Squamous and Basal Cell Carcinomas (skin cancers that result when AK's are not properly treated). The compound is then activated by a specific wavelength of light creating a free radical. The free radical attacks the cells containing Levulan, thus killing the abnormal cells and leaving the normal cells unharmed!



What are benefits of PDT?

- Covered by most PPO insurances
- On average, patients see 70% reduction in their AK's after just one treatment
- Sun damage, fine lines, and blotchy pigmentation may also improve
- Noticeable cosmetic improvement in entire area treated*

Common Precautions

- Must avoid sunlight and bright lights for 48 hours after treatment
- Swelling may occur around the eyes and may be reduced by applying cold packs
- Darker patches may appear after treatment that then peel off leaving normal skin

***To enhance the cosmetic effect, Vbeam or Photofacial may be completed after treatment for a \$300-\$400 charge.**

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questions or
appointments.