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You Have Nothing to Lose but the Brown Spots **Hyperpigmentation**

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What is Hyperpigmentation?

Hyperpigmentation is a very common skin condition. Two common types of hyperpigmentation include Post inflammatory hyperpigmentation and Melasma.

Post inflammatory hyperpigmentation are dark patches that develop on the skin after trauma; such as deep chemical peels, laser skin resurfacing, some waxing and/or electrolysis. It may, also, may occur after an inflammatory disease such as; psoriasis, eczema, allergic contact dermatitis and acne.

Melasma occurs on sun-exposed areas of the skin; face, neck, chest, hands and forearms. Hormones may also play a role in hyperpigmentation. Oral contraceptives, pregnancy or hormone replacement therapy also be a contributing factor.

Topical and combination therapy will be beneficial in correcting hyperpigmentation. Mild chemical peels or IPL (Intense Pulsed Light), in combination with a topical product that contains a Retinol and Hydroquinone, (4% bleach) used on a daily basis is the recommended treatment. There are prescription products available with or without steroids that are helpful to some patients. You will need to consult with your physician and/or esthetician to determine which treatment is best suited for your skin.

Pictures of Hyperpigmentation:

Melasma-



Mild



Moderate



Severe

Post Inflammatory Hyperpigmentation-



Before



After



Before



After

If you have any questions concerning Hyperpigmentation, post inflammatory hyperpigmentation or Melasma please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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