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# Cryosurgery

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

After treatment with liquid nitrogen there may be some 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. Should one appear, do not open the blister. The blister will dry up.

## Cryosurgery Care

1. Wash your hands with soap and water.
2. Clean the blister sites with soap and water. Then rinse and pat dry. Then continue cleaning with 1/2 peroxide and 1/2 water.
3. Apply antibiotic ointment such as Bacitracin (Do not use Neosporin)
4. A band-aid may be applied loosely over blister until it is dry.
5. Call the office if signs of infection occur. (redness, swelling, heat, increased pain, yellow discharge)