



Tattoo Removal

Having second thoughts about your tattoo? If so, you're not alone. Everyday we see clients from all walks of life having second thoughts about their tattoos. What once seemed like a good idea just does not fit your new image, and you wish that old tattoo would just go away. We are pleased to offer a revolutionary new LASER treatment that can safely remove unwanted tattoos.

How does this treatment work?

Medical LASERs use an intense beam of light to significantly lighten or completely remove your tattoo. When the ink particles of your tattoo absorb the light from the laser, they are broken into tiny fragments. These fragments are then absorbed through your body's natural cleansing mechanism, which generally takes a few weeks. Most tattoos require multiple treatments over the course of 12-18 months.

What will my skin look like after treatment?

Right after treatment, your skin may be red with possible swelling and/or scabbing of the tattoo. This is normal and will disappear slowly as the skin sloughs.

What are the treatments like?

Some patients say they feel a slight sting, like the snap of a rubber band on the skin, followed by what feels like a sunburn. At Body Perfect, we use topical anesthetic to reduce any discomfort during the treatment.

What are possible risks or side effects? (See *Possible Risk of LASER handout*)

The most common risk of tattoo removal is scarring in the shape of the tattoo with lightening or darkening in that area. When this happens an erbium laser may be used to smooth the scarred area.

What are the benefits?

- No visible tattoo
- Free to wear what ever you want
- The tattoo is permanently removed

What are alternative treatments?

- Abrasion
- Surgery
- Live with the tattoo

Questions

This procedure has been explained to you in this hand-out and by a Body Perfect professional. If you have any other questions about this procedure, you may call Body Perfect at 888-843-2039.