

#BeBetterNow

## CoolSculpting

### What to expect after the CoolSculpting procedure:

Typically, there is minimal discomfort and recovery time after the CoolSculpting procedure. Most patients are able to return to their daily routine immediately after the procedure.

The treated area may be red for up to a few hours after the applicator is removed.

Many patients have minimal discomfort following the procedure, however you may experience one or more of the following sensations: deep itching, tingling, numbness, tenderness to the touch, pain in the treated area, strong cramping, nausea, bloating, diarrhea, muscle spasms, aching and/or soreness. Consult your doctor if these conditions persist beyond two weeks or worsen over time. If this pain is bothersome, call us right away.

Following the procedure, a gradual reduction in the thickness of the fat layer will take place. You may start to see changes as early as three weeks after the CoolSculpting procedure and you will experience the most dramatic results after one to three months. Your body will continue naturally to process the injured fat cells from your body for approximately four months after your procedure.

In rare cases, patients have reported darker skin color, hardness, discrete nodules, enlargement of the treated area, hernia or worsening of existing hernia following the CoolSculpting procedure. Surgical intervention may be required to correct the enlargement or hernia.

### What to expect during CoolSculpting

CoolSculpting is a non-surgical procedure that may take from one to several hours, depending on your treatment plan.

No general/topical anesthesia or pain medication is required.

As the procedure is initiated, vacuum pressure draws tissue into an applicator cup between cooling panels. The vacuum pressure may cause sensations of deep pulling, tugging and pinching in the area being treated.

You also may experience intense stinging, tingling, aching or cramping. These sensations generally subside as the area becomes numb.

### What to expect immediately after CoolSculpting

Immediately after the procedure, your treated area may look or feel stiff and transient blanching (temporary whitening of the skin) may occur.

You may feel a sense of nausea or dizziness as your body naturally warms and sensation returns to your treatment area. These are normal reactions that typically resolve within minutes.

The treated area may be red for up to a few hours after the applicator is removed. This is an expected but temporary effect after CoolSculpting.

Bruising, swelling and tenderness can occur in the treated area. This typically resolves within a week or two.

Nausea and tingling, stinging and cramping in the treatment area are often reported on treatment day.

You may feel a temporary dulling of sensation in the treated area. This is normal and typically resolves within a few hours but may last for several weeks after your procedure.

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## What to expect the first few days and weeks after CoolSculpting

It is common for the treated area to feel bloated and look swollen in the first few days and weeks after CoolSculpting.

You may experience a temporary dulling of sensation that can last for several weeks.

At some point within the first two weeks following the procedure, you may experience one or more of the following sensations: deep itching, tingling, numbness, tenderness to the touch, pain in the treated area, strong cramping, diarrhea, muscle spasms, aching and/or soreness. Consult your doctor if these conditions persist beyond two weeks or worsen over time. If this pain is bothersome, call us right away.

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## Next steps

Weight gain will prevent you from appreciating your full results. Maintaining a healthy diet and exercise routine after your procedure can help prevent this.

Schedule a follow-up medical assessment to review your clinical results and discuss the option of additional treatments to achieve desired fat reduction.

## Emergency Contacts

Doctor Dorner is available twenty-four hours a day. If you are having problems please call the office at 614-336-9000 and press one to have him paged. Be sure to leave your contact information.

For any life-threatening emergencies, you should call 911.

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