## Precision Dermatology and Skin Surgery, P.A.



Board Certified in Dermatology Fellowship Trained in Dermatologic Surgery

## LIQUID NITROGEN FREEZING

Your pre-cancerous skin growths have been treated with liquid nitrogen. This produced a localized destruction of the growth and a small area of the surrounding skin.

The freezing itself will wear off within a few minutes. The effects produced will not be seen for 1-3 days. A stinging and burning sensation will occur following the freezing. This usually lasts 20-30 minutes and will be accompanied by redness of the area for several days.

It is possible that a blister or a blood blister will form on the treated area – you should not be concerned about this. If the blister is large and uncomfortable, then it may be punctured with a clean needle (soaked in alcohol) to relieve the pressure.

Within 2 weeks, the area will become crusted and peel away leaving a pink or white area which will fade in 3-6 months. It may also turn dark in color prior to peeling away.

Keep in mind that some larger lesions may take more than one freezing treatment to peel away.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call our office at (904) 923-6647.