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Acne questionnaire for new patients:

- 1. How long have you had your acne (weeks, months, years)?
- 2. What parts of your body are affected?: face chest back shoulders neck
- 3. What parts of your body that are affected bother you enough to treat? Face chest back shoulders neck
- 4. Does it affect your mood or daily functioning/activities? If so, how?
- 5. Has it ever been treated with OTC meds? Did you use them regularly for at least 3 months? If so, which ones, and how did you react?
- 6. Has it ever been treated with Rx meds? Did you use them regularly for at least 2 months? If so, which ones, and how did you react?
- 7. Have you ever taken Accutane/isotretinoin? When? How much? What was your response? Did you have side effects?
- 8. Where do you go to school/work?
- 9. Are you under significant stress?
- 10. When do you usually go to bed?
- 11. When do you usually wake up?
- 12. Is your sleep routine pretty regular, or does it change from day to day, or on the weekends?
- 13. Do you drink cow's milk? How much? How often? Use it in your cereal or coffee regularly? Do you buy hormone-free milk?
- 14. Do you drink: juice, soda, sweetened iced tea/hot tea/coffee, lemonade, sports drinks? How much and how often?
- 15. Do you eat sweets, like candy, cookies, cakes, frozen desserts? How often?
- 16. What do you typically eat for breakfast?:
- 17. What do you typically eat for lunch?:
- 18. What do you typically eat for dinner?:
- 19. How many fruits do you eat on a typical day?
- 20. How many servings of vegetables do you eat on a typical day?
- 21. Whole wheat or white breads/rolls/pasta?
- 22. White rice or brown rice?
- 23. Do you eat: fish, beans, whole grains, nuts, seeds, legumes like peanuts/lentils, avocados, olive oil?
- 24. How much alcohol do you consume per week: number of drinks X number of times per week = ??
- 25. Do you smoke cigarettes/cigar/pipe? Chew tobacco?
- 26. Do you smoke pot/ingest pot in any way on a regular basis?
- 27. Are you generally a healthy person?
- 28. Do you take any prescription meds? Steroids? Antibiotics? Testosterone?
- 29. Do you use any recreational drugs? Which ones and how often?
- 30. Do you ski? Do you get a lot of sun exposure? How do you spend your summers?

[Pick the date]

- 31. Is there a family history of significant acne in your parents or siblings? Has anyone in your family taken Accutane/isotretinoin?
- 32. Do you pick at or squeeze your acne?
- 33. Do you wash your face? If so, how often and with what soap/cleanser?
- 34. Do you normally moisturize your face? Use any hair oils/conditioners?
- 35. Do you generally wear sunblock daily? As needed? Not at all?
- 36. Do you have any allergies or intolerances to medications, even over-the-counter topical medications (eg. Benzoyl peroxide)?
- 37. Would you say you have sensitive skin?
- 38. Do you take body-building supplements? Whey protein?
- 39. Do you notice anything that makes your acne worse?
- 40. Do you notice anything that makes your acne better?

For girls and women only:

- 1. Are you menstruating?
- 2. At what age did you start?
- 3. Are you (possibly) pregnant? How far along? How has your skin reacted to the pregnancy?
- 4. Nursing? How long do you intend to continue?
- 5. Trying to become pregnant?
- 6. Are your periods regular? Heavy? Painful?
- 7. Does your acne flare up in association with your menstrual cycle? If so, how so?
- 8. Do you have excessive body/facial hair? Thinning scalp hair?
- 9. Do you carry a diagnosis of polycystic ovaries or any other hormonal disturbances?
- 10. Are you currently sexually active and if so, do you use contraceptives? If so, which one(s)?
- 11. Are you on birth control pills or any other hormones, or do you have a hormonal IUD? How long, and does it seem to affect your skin?
- 12. Have you ever been on birth control pills, and if so, which one(s), how long, and how did it affect your skin?
- 13. Do you have a history of infertility or difficulty becoming pregnant?
- 14. Do you normally wear makeup? If so, which one? Does it work well enough to hide your acne?
- 15. Do you have any reason why you cannot take birth control pills: history of : blood clot in you or in a close family member, arterial disease or valvular heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes with vascular complications, migraine headaches with focal neurological symptoms, immobilitization, breast or endometrial/uterine cancer, abnormal vaginal bleeding, liver disease, smoking, over age 35 years, allergy to ingredients, genetic defects/diseases/drugs/antibodies known to increase your risk of blood clots?