

Laser Toenail Fungus Treatment Questionnaire
ask the doctor these questions...

1. Have you had success with Laser treatment, with the laser you use today?

The correct answer is, "Yes. I have seen the results from the patients I have treated and I do get improvement in the condition of their toenails after laser treatment for toenail fungus."

If the doctor says, "I'm pretty sure it works but I just haven't been using the laser long enough to follow up with patients and see if it's really working," that doesn't mean the doctor won't be able to successfully treat your toenail fungus. But it does the doctor really doesn't know whether or not she hasn't effective treatment regimen that will help you get clear toenails.

2. How often does laser treatment work on your patients?

"Most of the time" is the correct answer.

"All the time" or "100% off the time" is the wrong answer. Nothing is 100% effective in medicine. If the doctor tells you the treatment works 100% of the time in 100% of their patients you can be sure the doctor is giving an inaccurate picture and unrealistic expectations for your treatment.

3. Does the doctor perform the actual laser treatment him/herself?

The correct answer is, "Yes. When you pay to see a doctor you should get treated by a doctor."

The wrong answer is, "We have assistants trained to perform laser treatment under the doctor's supervision." What that really means is that the doctor has someone who is not licensed, does not have a medical degree and is probably just a high school graduate who will be doing your treatment while the doctor sees patients in another treatment room somewhere in the building.

4. Do I have to have multiple laser treatments or can you kill the fungus in just one visit?

The correct answer is, "We do an extended treatment to kill all of the fungus in a single sitting."

The incorrect answer is, "We find most patients do best when they have multiple treatments." What that really means is one of two things. 1. the doctor likes getting paid for multiple treatments, or 2. we think we may miss a spot in one of your initial treatments but will probably hit that spot in one of your follow-up visits when we do additional laser treatments in a series.

5. If I am one of those rare people who doesn't get clear nails with one treatment, will you offer some kind of discount if I choose to have an additional laser treatment later, even if it is my fault because I forgot to decontaminate my shoes or treat my athletes foot?

The wrong answer is, "No. You have to make sure you don't get reinfected, and if you do get reinfected it is your fault and you'll have to pay for another treatment session at full price."

The correct answer is, "Of course. We are on your team and we'll help you cure the nail fungus without charging you full price for an additional laser treatment session. Part of our responsibility is to make sure you understand how to decontaminate your shoes and cure the skin infection as well. We will work with you and give a discount if that its what it takes for you to get success!



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