Vaginal Steam Intake Form

Prepared by the Peristeam Hydrotherapy Institute

* Required

Name:

Date:

Contraindications

There are times when it is not beneficial for a woman to steam. First, let's check and make sure that you don't have any contraindications.

1.

Check all that apply.

	Yes	No	Not Sure
Are you on your menstruation?			
Do you currently have fresh spotting?			
Do you ever have spontaneous bleeding?			
Do you ever have two periods per month?			
Do you have an infection characterized with a burning itch?			
Are you pregnant?			
If trying to conceive are you past ovulation?			
Do you have tubal coagulation (burning of the fallopian tubes through laparoscopic surgery through the belly button)?			
Do you have a birth control arm implant (i.e. nexplanon)?			

Important!

The above "Yes" replies indicate that vaginal steaming is contraindicated. It is not safe and could result in negative side effects such as the onset of bleeding, an outbreak, a miscarriage or a birth control failure. Steaming should not be performed at this time. If a birth control contraindication, it is up to the client whether or not she would like to do the steam session with the possible pregnancy risk.

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2.	Is client okay to steam? *
	Check all that apply.

Yes

Sensitivities

Some women are very responsive to steam and it can cause a physiological response. If you are in this category then it is okay to steam, however your practitioner will adjust your steam session and herbs so that it perfectly suits you.

3.

Check all that apply.

	Yes	No	Not Sure
Is this your first time doing a vaginal steam session?			
Are your menstrual cycles currently or historically ever 27 days or shorter?			
Have you experienced any hot flashes over the past month?			
Have you experienced any nightsweats over the past month?			
Do you have an IUD in?			
Are you currently or historically prone to yeast infections?			
Are you currently or historically prone to bacterial vaginosis?			
Do you have herpes?			
Do you have the nuva ring in? (If so, it should be removed prior to steam session)			
Are you age 13 or younger?			

The above "yes" replies indicate sensitivity in which case a mild setup without a burner should be used. Under no circumstances should clients who have sensitivity use an advanced setup with a burner.

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4.	Does client have sensitivities? <i>Check all that apply.</i>
	Yes

No

5.

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Check all that apply.

Mild Advanced

Herb Selection

It is best to select herbs suitable to your constitution. Your practitioner will use the info from this intake form to select a suitable vaginal steam formula for you.

6. Indicators for Cleansing Herbs

Check all that apply.

	Yes	No
Are your menstrual cycles 28 days or longer?		
Is your menstrual cycle absent or missing for an unknown reason or because of birth control?		
Are you currently taking birth control pills?		

7. Indicators for Mild Herbs *

Check all that apply.

Yes No

Do you ever have menstrual cycles 27 days or less?	
Do you have fresh spotting between periods?	
Are you underage 13?	

8.

Indicators for Disinfecting Herbs *

Check all that apply.

	Yes	No
Are you prone to yeast infections?		
Are you prone to bacteria infections?		
Are you prone to viruses?		

9.

Indicators for Cooling and Moisturizing Herbs *

Check all that apply.

	Yes	No
Do you have vaginal dryness?		
Have you experienced hot flashes or nightsweats recently?		
Is there currently a hot climate?		

10.

Do you have any know herb or food allergies? *

If client has indicators for herbs in different categories always prioritize the mild herbs. If the mild is not indicated then proceed with the best choice for the situation. For any herbs that you select double check to make sure there aren't any items in there that might conflict with known allergies (for example, citrus peels or cornsilk should not be used if someone has orange or corn allergies).

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11.

Which category of herbs is most suitable for client? *

Check all that apply.

Cleansing herbs
Mild herbs

Disinfecting herbs

Cooling and Moisturing herbs

Cloaking

When steaming it is often commonplace to cloak. In certain customs a nice breathable fabric cloak is used. This cloak is safe in all situations. In other traditions a plastic cloak is used to increase sweating and circulation and to enhance the detoxification benefits of the steam session. In this instance plastic cloaking is not suitable if the client has excess heat in the body. Let's check for excess heat.

12.

Check all that apply.

	Yes	No
Do you have hot flashes?		
Do you have nightsweats?		
Do you radiate heat?		
Are you prone to infections or viruses?		
Is it hot weather?		
Do you have an aversion to heat?		

Yes answers indicate excess heat in which case plastic cloaks are contraindicated.

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13. _

Does client have signs of excess heat? *

Check all that apply.

Yes
No

14.

Is client okay for a plastic cloak? *

Check all that apply.

Yes

No

Office Only - Setup Summary:

Mild or Advanced

Cleansing Mild Disinfecting Cooling

Plastic Cloak or No Plastic Cloak

Waiver

Most of the side-effects reported while steaming are positive. Users have reported better sleep, decreased swelling in legs and feet, decreased abdominal bloating, slimmer waistline, increased libido, decrease in breast soreness, fewer headaches, fewer PMS symptoms, increased energy, lucid dreams, tingling feet, glowing skin, reduction in incidence of hormonal acne and increased lubrication.

However, some undesirable side effects might also occur. These include shortened menstrual cycles, onset of bleeding, headaches, the sensation to urinate or an infection outbreak. In 99% of all cases using a mild steam session and mild herbs will prevent the above from happening so it's very important that you give honest answers in this intake form so that the practitioner can set up a steam session that will fit your needs.

Note: It is best practice to check that your vaginal steam specialist has a Vaginal Steam Facilitator certificate in good standing. This certification ensures that your practitioner knows the proper safety standards regarding setting up a vaginal steam session tailored to fit your needs. Please check the Vaginal Steam Directory (www.vaginalsteamdirectory.com) to ensure that your practitioner has a valid certificate. The Peristeam Hydrotherapy Institute keeps an up-to-date list of all certified practitioners on the directory so if they are not on the map it's possible that the certificate is fabricated.

I _______understand that vaginal steaming may have positive or negative side effects as a result of doing a vaginal steam session. I accept legal responsibility for my choice to do a vaginal steam session and waive the responsibility of the practitioner and the facility where the steam session takes place in the case that any of the named side effects (or others) may occur.

Signature

Date

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