

DAWN'S TESTIMONIAL

Personal Story

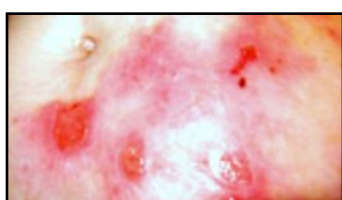
I am a 40-year old female who suffers with a rare genetic skin disease called Dominant Dystrophic Epidermolysis Bullosa (DDEB) with recessive tendencies. DDEB results in continuous blistering, scarring, open wounds, and sometimes infection on both lower legs from the knees to ankles. My abdomen and lower back are also affected. These chronic wounds occur due to any form of mechanical action, trauma or friction to the area. I was a teacher and a lab medical technologist which required being on my feet up to 16 hours a day between both jobs; it was then, during the last 6 years that the disease went rampant causing massive blistering and scarring—much like a 3rd degree burn patient. Due to the massive scarring and blistering, I could no longer function with normal daily activities without causing great pain and burning sensations. On a pain scale of 1-10, the pain was a 10 every second of the day. The disease then affected my mucosal membranes and formed esophageal strictures and webbing which resulted in 11 endoscopies to widen the esophagus. The inability to control the chronic wound pain and the repeated endoscopies led to severe depression, anxiety, and weight loss. At this point in time, I had tried every topical ointment and cream on the market for the chronic wounds;

I resorted to using EMU oil, yes—from the EMU bird to keep the wounds moistened and then wrapped with Telfa and wrap bandages 24/7. This home remedy from the general nutrition store actually worked very well in keeping the skin moist and preventing infection.

I was lucky enough to meet Dr. Serena who uses a treatment called “Ultrasound MIST Therapy” from “Celleration”. He sort of “promised” me he could heal the wounds and lessen the pain. Ongoing since April 2010, I have been receiving “MIST Therapy” 3-4 minutes per area. The goal is to promote healing from within. At this time, my legs have very little to no blisters or open wounds and the chronic pain has decreased to almost nothing. This truly is amazing considering what my legs had looked like and how they are today. In addition to the MIST therapy, the “affected” areas are covered with Xeroform bandages, gauze wrapping and then covered with Tubigrip conforming bandages.

I am back in the garden growing an abundance of vegetables and taking short walks through my Rose Garden!! I will forever be grateful to Dr. Serena, Heather, and Cheri.

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BEFORE



AFTER