

# Balance Matters

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## Informed Consent

1. Acupuncture consists of the insertion of acupuncture needles in specified therapeutic points. However, other techniques may be used to enhance the effects of your treatment.
2. Heat therapy may be used. Either a therapeutic heat lamp may be directed at the affected area or traditional heat therapy, called "moxabustion" may be applied indirectly over the affected area.
3. A Chinese massage therapy called "gwa sha" may be used. This procedure uses a device to rub or scrape the affected area. It may leave a light to dark redness in the area treated. This redness may last for a few hours up to a day or two.
4. In rare cases, a mild electrical stimulation may be applied to pairs of acupuncture needles. This procedure uses a small battery powered electrical stimulator.
5. Cupping may also be applied. Glass suction cups may be applied to an area. This procedure may leave circular red or dark red marks which may last for a few hours or for a day or two.

### **NOTICE**

Payment is required upon rendering of the acupuncture services.

Please remember, we require **24 hours** advance notice for any appointment changes or a \$40 fee may be applied to your account.

I have read and understand the above information and will discuss any questions related to my treatment and the above procedures with the acupuncturist

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