

Kansas Board of Cosmetology

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Policy – Dermaplaning and Milia Lancing

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I. Purpose

a. The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for licensed cosmetologists and licensed estheticians to provide dermaplaning and milia lancing services within the scope of their licensure.

II. Authority

- a. "Cosmetology" means the profession of cleansing, stimulating or performing any other noninvasive beautifying process on any skin surface by means of hands or mechanical or electrical appliances, other than electric needles, provided for esthetic rather than medical purposes. K.S.A. 65-1901(d)(1)(B).
- b. "Cosmetology" means temporary hair removal from the face or any part of the body by use of the hands or mechanical or electrical appliances other than electric needles. K.S.A. 65-1901(d)(1)(C).
- c. "Esthetician" means any person who, for compensation practices the profession of cosmetology only to the following extent: (1) Eyebrow and eyelash services, cleansing, stimulating or performing any other noninvasive beautifying process on any skin surface by means of hands or mechanical or electrical appliances, other than electric needles, provided for esthetic rather than medical purposes; (2) temporary hair removal from the face or any part of the body by use of the hands or mechanical or electrical appliances other than electric needles; or (3) using cosmetic preparations, antiseptics, lotions, creams or other preparations in performing any of the practices described in this subsection. K.S.A. 65-1901(e).
- d. "Noninvasive," when used to describe procedures or services, means the procedures or services confined to the nonliving cells of the epidermis found in the stratum corneum layer of the skin. The practice of cosmetology, nail technology, or esthetics shall not alter, cut, or damage any living cells. K.A.R. 28-24-1(1).
- e. Using a razor-type device to remove calluses or skin blemishes shall be prohibited in any area of an establishment or school in which consumers are provided service. K.A.R. 28-24-14(a)(4).
- f. Using invasive skin-removal techniques, products, and practices that remove viable cells that are deeper than the stratum corneum shall be prohibited in any area of an establishment or school in which consumers are provided service. K.A.R. 28-24-14(a)(5).

III. Policy and Procedures

a. On May 13, 2019, the Board approved of the use of lancets and scalpels by licensed cosmetologists and licensed estheticians when performing the beauty modalities of dermaplaning and milia lancing.



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- b. A licensed cosmetologist and a licensed esthetician may provide these procedures for esthetic purposes only and are permitted within the scope of practice as they are noninvasive and confined to the nonliving cells of the epidermis found in the stratum corneum layer of the skin.
- c. Dermaplaning and milia lancing do not alter, cut or damage any living cells.
- d. The use of a scalpel to dermaplane is only for exfoliation and hair removal and is not permitted to be used to remove calluses or skin blemishes.

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On Behalf of the Kansas Board of Cosmetology