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Dermaplaning & Milia Lancing
Use of Class I Medical Devices
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DERMAPLANING & MILIA LANCING

On May 13th, 2019, the Kansas Board of Cosmetology approved the use of lancets and scalpels by licensed cosmetologists and licensed estheticians when performing the beauty modalities of Milia Lancing and Dermaplaning. These procedures are 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. These practices do not alter, cut or damage any living cells as is prohibited in KAR 28-24-14 (5). Additionally, the use of the scalpel in Dermaplaning is only for exfoliation and hair removal and is not permitted to be used to remove calluses or skin blemishes as prohibited by KAR 28-24-14 (4).

USE OF CLASS I MEDICAL DEVICES

After review of KSA 65-1902(a)(12) the Board determined on May 13, 2019, through reasonable interpretation of the statutory prohibition, that class one medical devices registered with the FDA and approved by the FDA for general use, not required to be used under order of a physician, are not subject to this prohibition as long as they are being used for esthetic, not medical purposes. To provide further explanation of the reasonable interpretation of this statute, some examples of class one medical devices registered with the FDA and approved for general use include surgical trays, rubber gloves, and gauze. It is evident that the Board must use discretion in interpreting this statutory prohibition as to enforce it without so would be an inappropriate application of the law.

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Mission Statement

To protect the health and safety of the consuming public by licensing qualified individuals and enforcing high standards of practice.