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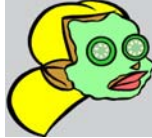
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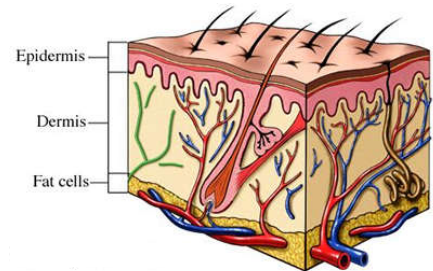
Consumer Basics: Skin Care Considerations

With so many products and procedures, consumers should educate themselves on basic regulatory requirements as they relate to skin care to help themselves make more informed choices.

Cosmetic or Medical? Consumers should remember the following when considering skin care, or esthetic, services:

If a procedure is *invasive*, such as one that includes the “destruction, incision, ablation or the revision of human tissue,” it may be provided only by physicians licensed by the [Board of Medical Examiners](#) (BME) or other licensed health care providers within their scope of practice. (See related fact sheet – *Consumer Comparisons: Esthetic or Medical Services?*)

Estheticians (previously *facial technicians* – see fact sheet on House Bill 2105) may provide skin care services only on the outermost layer of skin, the epidermis, according to Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 817-015-0050.



Advanced Procedures: Skin care services such as microdermabrasion and chemical peels fall under OAR 817-015-0050. This administrative rule requires that estheticians “...must obtain training in the safe and effective use of each chemical, product or device that the esthetician uses in the practice of esthetics, and must provide documentation of that training in response to a request from the agency (Oregon Health Licensing Agency).”

OAR 817-015-0050 provides general assurance that estheticians, who are skin care generalists, have the proper training and education in advanced areas of skin care. Other examples of advanced procedures are:

- Laser hair removal
- Lymphatic drainage
- Airbrush tanning