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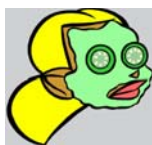
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Consumer Comparison: Esthetic or Medical Services?

The line between esthetic and medical services sometimes seemingly blurs with an ever-increasing number of products and procedures. State regulations offer consumers guidelines to help choose the appropriate procedure and licensed professional.

Medical Treatment Prohibited: Under Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 690.005(7), estheticians (previously facial technicians – see related fact sheet on House Bill 2105) are prohibited from diagnosing or treating a disease or physical or mental ailment.

Exceptions Granted if Supervised: However, growing numbers of estheticians are providing services at the direction of, or in support of, physicians, particularly dermatologists, licensed by the [Board of Medical Examiners](#) (BME). They, along with physician's assistants, nurses, and other allied health personnel, may provide services that may be more medical in nature if a physician refers the patient and/or oversees/supervises those procedures.



For example, any service or procedure that injects substances such as hyaluronic acid (*brand names include:* Restylane, Hylaform) human or bovine-based collagen (*brand names include:* Cosmoderm, Zyderm), or botulinum toxin type A (Botox brand name) into the body, may be performed by these allied health professionals but only if they are under the supervision of a physician.

In other words, if an esthetician is under a physician's supervision, that esthetician is exempt from Board of Cosmetology regulation.

Physician Ultimately Responsible: Any services provided by licensed health care providers outside their immediate scope of practice (i.e. what they are legally permitted to perform) that are of a medical nature are the responsibility of the supervising physician, according to the BME.