‘Perfumery & Cosmetic Sciences’- ‘Permanent Makeup- Is it safe?’

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Permanent Makeup- In the hands of a skilled person, the procedures are generally safe. Permanent makeup is considered micro pigmentation, similar to tattoos. It involves using a needle to place pigmented granules beneath the upper layers of the skin. Permanent makeup must be called what it really is: a tattoo, a cosmetic tattoo!

When we talk about risk or safety, what do we mostly mean?

1. Allergic reactions
2. Blood-borne diseases
3. Redness and swelling
4. Removal of permanent makeup
5. MRI complications

We have also to talk about the colors/pigments/Ink.

‘FDA-approved colors’ - A red flag

Don’t be lured by ads claiming a practitioner uses FDA-approved colors. “Stay away”, says (Dr. Zwerling, AAM). “They’re misrepresenting themselves and the profession”. FDA approves colors only for specified end uses. When someone says “FDA-approved colors”, you have no way of knowing whether the approval applies to cosmetics, food, or automotive paint, but one thing is certain: no color additive has ever been FDA-approved for injection into the skin.

Permanent Makeup can be safe if we know what we do and if we work with safe products (Colors).

Biography

Liane Zabel completed the Academy of hairdressing/cosmetician in Germany as a Master Craftsman of Hairdressing and Cosmetics at the age of 26 years after she made her hairdresser license at the age of 18 years. She worked as a hairdresser and cosmetic teacher for theory and practice in the vocational school in Germany for 15 years. She got her license as a permanent makeup artist in 1991, worked successfully as a hairdresser/permanent makeup artist and trainer for micro pigmentation in Germany and Spain in her own companies before she moved to Canada in 2008. In Canada, she is working in her own beauty company as permanent makeup artist and she does Non-Laser Tattoo removal. She is the owner of MTC-Derm, a beauty service company focused on micro pigmentation and non-laser tattoo removal services in California.

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