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Subject: Advisory Statement for Dermaplaning

Senate Bill 330 was passed during the 2025 General Session of the Utah State Legislature, and was signed by Governor Cox on March 28 2025. It provides to the Division of Professional Licensing (DOPL) clarification on the scope of practice and supervision intended for the practice of "dermaplaning" by a Master Esthetician. S.B. 330 will not go into effect until January 1, 2026, but based on specific legislative and executive guidance:

DOPL will not pursue disciplinary action for the unsupervised practice of dermaplaning by an individual who holds an active license in good standing as a Master Esthetician, if the Master Esthetician meets all other requirements in current statute and rule for performing dermaplaning.

Background:

"Dermaplane" was added to the scope of practice of Master Estheticians in the 2024 General Legislative Session. However, "dermaplane" was not defined in statute, and it had already been defined by DOPL in rule in accordance with industry practice and guidance as the use of a scalpel or bladed instrument *under the general supervision of a health care practitioner* to shave the upper layers of the stratum corneum. However, recently enacted S.B. 330 defines "dermaplane" in Section 58-11a-102(4) to mean "the use of a scalpel or bladed instrument to shave the upper layers of the stratum corneum." Additionally, the newly defined scope of practice for a Master Esthetician in Section 58-11a-302.18 clarifies that supervision by a medical professional is only required for certain listed procedures, and the list does not include dermaplaning.

Thank you,

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