

# PERMANENT COSMETICS AFTERCARE

## **FOR ALL AREAS:**

Following your procedure, be sure to keep the area clean by washing lightly with a neutral/mild soap and gently pat dry. Apply topical ointment to the site during the healing process (approx. 3-6 days). Reapply ointment several times a day during this time.

If you have swelling, the application of ice following your procedure for the first 24 hours is also recommended.

Be careful not to scratch, rub or pick any area. This could pull the tint that has been implanted under the skin and/or cause infection. Leaving empty areas (with no color). Color can take up to a week to slough off. BE PATIENT!!

The entire healing process takes 4-6 weeks. After the dry ink has sloughed off, expect areas of your tattoo to lighten and darken. This is normal and takes a little time to even out. It is not uncommon to have areas where the ink is lighter, or nonexistent. Permanently implanting color in these delicate areas is a process! Your follow up appointment will address these issues.

No swimming, saunas, hot tubs or vigorous physical exercise for one week following tattooing.

Note: It is normal to lose about 1/3 of the color during the first few days. Lips may lose up to 50%. Some clients lose more, some less. Remember, everyone is different. Sun exposure and fluorescent lighting causes fading. USE YOUR SUNSCREEN! Also, if you wish to donate blood, please notify the Red Cross of this procedure.

## **EYES:**

For the first night: Use the Celluvisc drops right before bed. The clear vials of Refresh can be used any time your eyes feel itchy or scratchy. Saline drops are also good and may be used if you need additional lubrication. Do not start using contact lenses until your eyes feel normal.

Eyeliners, eyeshadow, mascara and eyelash curlers should be avoided for 5 days. A clean tube of mascara is recommended.

## **EYEBROWS:**

Keep area clean and moistened with ointment. Ice if necessary. DO NOT PICK!!

## **LIPS:**

Your lips may still be numb when you leave, so use caution. Follow your physician's recommendation for taking the anti-viral if he/she has prescribed you one. Keep area clean and moistened. This keeps lips soft and pliable. Avoid salty, spicy and highly acidic foods if possible. Do not pick or rub. By the third or fourth day, large areas of tint will slough off. Do not pull areas that are still attached. This will leave areas without tint.

If you have any questions, or concerns, please call Diane @ (360) 936-7380

