



The Australasian College of Cosmetic Surgery

Cosmetic Injectable Safety



**“Things you
should know”**

Raising Standards, Protecting Patients



First and foremost it must be remembered this is a medical procedure and not a beauty treatment and as with any medical procedure there are risks.

For these reasons it is imperative and required by law for all patients to have a medical consultation with a Doctor prior to any treatment. Your medical history must be taken into consideration, allergies, health issues, medications and discussion on the risks/benefits of the areas you would like treated.

Before having cosmetic injectables check:

- Have you been offered comprehensive medical consultation by a registered Doctor?
- Does the medical consultation include an in-person physical examination or just a “Skype” type teleconsultation assessment?
- Have you signed a Consent form after an appropriate disclosure of risks and side effects?
- Is the Clinic registered with their local Council which is required by law?
- Is the product being used approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration for use in Australia?
- Ask how long the injector has been practicing and whether he/she belongs to a learned educational society or college with continuing cycle of peer-reviewed continuing education?
- Ask if there are complications what are they and how can they be treated?
- In the event of a medical crisis, does the Clinic have resuscitation expertise and equipment such as a source of medical oxygen a defibrillator?
- Check the medical indemnity coverage of the injector in the event that treatment is being offered in a non-medical setting, ie. Home, Beauty Salon, Hair Salon. The legislation covering this issue varies from State to State