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To: medboardconsultation

**Subject:** response to consultation

To whom it may concern,

I would like to thank you for taking the time to review my submission in response to 7.b) Medical practitioners must not prescribe schedule 4 (prescription only) cosmetic injectables unless they have had a face-to-face consultation with the patient. A face-to-face consultation is required for each course of injections. Remote prescribing (for example, by phone, email, or video conferencing) of cosmetic injectables is not appropriate.

I am a Registered Nurse in the role of Cosmetic nurse at Australian Laser and Skin Clinic. I have dedicated many years of my life to explore and develop my role as a Registered Nurse Div 1. In this role I have consulted with many clients and also handled many schedule 8 drugs in a standard shift. I do believe that it would be a detriment to the industry if video calling for scripts was not available. Many clients come to us for sound and informative advice. They are screened for suitability for treatment and then seen by our doctor.

We have the ability with technology to make the process of obtaining a script consumer friendly and most importantly safe. At Australian Laser and Skin Clinics we endeavour to provide the highest and safest level of care for our clients. Procedures are not performed unless the client has a valid script and the doctor has reviewed. This process can be done effectively via video call and provides the clinic with the ability to treat clients safely and in a reasonable time frame. There is no adverse effect or outcome foreseeable if the client speaks to the doctor via video call or conference. The bigger issue to focus on is clinics that prescribe or inject prior to consultation or script from the doctor. A review of clinics protocol on inject prior to seeing a doctor should be revised as a matter of urgency.

As a working Registered Cosmetic Nurse I believe video conferencing or calls is an effective way of satisfying both client needs and also maintaining integrity in the work place. The doctor can review and discuss all concerns with the client via video conference or face to face.

Thank you kindly Kim Morton RN Div 1