

## **Industry Bulletin – 6/5/2014 – Micro Needling/Derma Rolling**

The Board of Barbering and Cosmetology (Board) would like to remind its licensees that the practice of Micro Needling/Derma Rolling is not within the scope of practice for any Board licensee.

Micro Needling/Derma Rolling is a procedure that assists in reducing acne scarring and general skin damage. This procedure involves using a small roller with fine micro needles over the skin. This procedure produces micro punctures in the skin.

Micro Needling/Derma Rolling is considered an invasive procedure by the Board. Title 16, Division 9, Section 991 of the California Code of Regulations states:

### **§ 991. Invasive Procedures.**

(a) No licensee or student may use a product, device, machine, or other technique or combination of the same, which results in the removal, destruction, incision, or piercing of a client's skin beyond the epidermis. Any such act shall be considered an invasive procedure.

(b) Invasive procedures include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (1) Application of electricity which visibly contracts the muscle.
- (2) Application of topical lotions, creams, serums or other substances which require a medical license to purchase.
- (3) Penetration of the skin by metal needles, except electrolysis needles/wire filaments.
- (4) Abrasion and/or exfoliation of the skin below the epidermal layers.
- (5) Removal of skin by means of a razor-edged tool or similar device.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 7312, Business and Professions Code. Reference: Sections 7312(e), 7316, 7320, 7320.1, Business and Professions Code.