SECTION XII
MINOR AESTHETIC PROCEDURES

The performance of aesthetic cosmetic procedures is within the scope of practice of a trained APRN or RN as part of a medically prescribed plan of care for treatment of various dermatological conditions or as a part of a health maintenance/health promotion regime. The performance of aesthetic cosmetic procedures is not within the scope of practice of an LPN.

A. **EDUCATIONAL PREPARATION**
   The nurse shall have documented educational preparation, supervised clinical practice experience and competency validation appropriate to responsibilities, treatment provided and patient population served. The delegating physician or supervising APRN shall document competency for the RN. The collaborating physician shall document competency for the APRN.

   B. **Educational program preparation shall include, but not limited to:**
      1. Anatomy, physiology, and pathophysiology regarding the integumentary system as well as systems specific to the procedure(s) being performed.
      2. Proper technique for each dermatologic procedure.
      4. Pharmacology including drug actions/interactions, side effects, contraindications, and untoward effects.
      5. Proper selection, maintenance and utilization of equipment.
      6. Realistic and expected outcomes of the procedure(s).
      7. Potential complications and side effects of the procedure(s).
      8. Nursing care required and nursing interventions in the event of complications or untoward outcomes.
      9. Management of complications or adverse reactions.
      10. Infection control.
      11. Safety precautions.
      12. Documentation appropriate to the type of the procedure being performed.
      13. Supervised clinical practice experience
      14. Competency validation

C. **PRACTICE SETTINGS**
   1. APRNs and RNs performing aesthetic cosmetic or dermatological procedures shall have an agreement with or be an employee of a physician or of a physician owned clinic.
   2. Aesthetic cosmetic or dermatological procedures shall be prescribed or ordered by a qualified physician or an APRN with a collaborative practice agreement with a qualified physician as defined by the Arkansas Medical Board.
   2. The physician or APRN must be available at all times that the RN is engaged in the provision of aesthetic procedures.

   History: Adopted