

## WHAT TO EXPECT AFTER YOUR COSMETIC TATTOO APPOINTMENT?

After your treatment, your lips will weep a clear fluid - this is to be expected. Wipe firmly to remove this fluid. Please be aware, leaving this to dry will cause premature scabbing and discomfort.

The initial swelling can be obvious but usually subsides within 24-48 hours, however this can last a little longer in some cases where clients lips are fuller. Cold compresses or icepacks can help with the swelling if necessary.

Your lips will be very tender and dry, it is vital that you keep them moist with After Art.

## AFTER CARE STEPS

- Immediately after your tattoo treatment, wipe your lips (every 10 minutes) for an hour.
- Once the hour has passed, continue to wipe your lips, and apply a thin layer of After Art every hour for the remainder of the day.
- From day 2 onwards, wipe the lips with a baby wipe and apply After Art 4x a day (morning, lunch, dinner & before bed) to keep them hydrated.
- Around day 3-7 days the dry skin on your lips should start to flake off. During this time, it is vital that you do not pick the flakes or dry skin off your lips, and let them fall off naturally.
- If by chance you happen to break out in an excessive amount of cold sores, please stop all aftercare and focus on treating the cold sore virus by visiting your local pharmacy. If any unusual redness, excessive itchiness, tenderness or swelling appear on the tattooed area please give us or your GP a call immediately.

## PLEASE ALSO ENSURE YOU FOLLOW THE BELOW TIPS

- Avoid soap and or cleansers around the treatment area.
- Make up (excluding lip products) can be worn after your treatment. Please avoid using any lip products for at least two weeks after having both your initial appointment and follow up completed.
- When going into the sun, apply sunscreen or products containing SPF on your lips. Exposure to the sun can cause fading and colour change over time. Do not expose your lips to the sun for the first two weeks.
- Do not go swimming in sea water or chlorine treated water for the first two weeks. Cover your lips with Vaseline when swimming in salt or chlorine water to avoid a bleaching effect.
- Chemicals of any kind can interfere with the healing and colour of your new tattoo. Glycolic acid and face peel must be kept away from your tattoo as it has been reported to lighten the colour with constant, continued use.

If you have any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to contact me on 0279445337.