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Micropigmentation (semi-permanent makeup) procedures are affected by the “canvas” (your skin) on which they are performed. Lifestyle, medications, smoking, metabolism, facial surgery and other procedures, and age of skin all contribute to fading. The initial application is always applied conservatively because every person’s skin is different and the final color can only be precisely determined and adjusted during a follow-up appointment after the initial application has fully healed. Because of this, **the micropigmentation process is not complete after the initial procedure**. In all cases, **a follow-up appointment is required** approximately 4-6 weeks after your initial application to fine tune and ensure the best result.

Though rare, infection is possible. If you see signs of infection such as persistent increased redness or swelling, fever, drainage, or oozing, contact your doctor immediately.

POST-PROCEDURE INFORMATION

- Apply ice for the first 2-24 hours to reduce swelling.
- Beginning 48 hours after your procedure, gently apply a very thin coat of aftercare salve with a clean, sterile Q-tip to the area twice a day once a day for 4 days, and then switch to lip balm or lipstick with an SPF of 15 or greater as the sun tends to fade lip color quickly.
- Do not wipe off aftercare salve; let the salve absorb into the skin.
- Do not scratch, pick, peel, rub or pull on the skin or scabs.
- Lips may appear to have too much color in the days following the procedure. You may add makeup to soften the color.
- Scars on the lips from fever blisters cause pigment removal. See our Pre-Procedure Instructions for lips.
- Avoid sweating such as from vigorous exercise for 24-hours post-procedure.
- Avoid tanning beds, sun, chlorine spas and pools, and tooth whitening toothpaste until healed.
- Do not use peroxide or Neosporin on treated areas for at least one week post-procedure or until healing is complete.
- Do not expose area to direct sun or to tanning beds for at least one week post-procedure or until healing is complete.
- Avoid Retin-A, glycolic acids, alpha hydroxyl creams, and exfoliants and anti-aging products **at all times** (not just during healing) on all micropigmented areas. These can cause pigments to fade and lighten prematurely.
- Pigments will slowly fade over time according to one’s metabolism, skin type, sun exposure, medication, facial surgery, and smoking. Schedule maintenance visits as needed to keep it looking fresh.
- Periodic touch ups will ensure longer lasting results.

Lip Micropigmentation Healing Schedule

While every person is different and some heal more quickly or slowly than others, below is a general guideline provided by the American Academy of Micropigmentation. You should expect to lose approximately 1/3 of the initial color during the healing process. We have selected the optimal pigments for you with this in mind. In approximately six days it may appear too light. After about 10 days, the color will show more. It will appear softer when completely healed

Note: Temporary side effects from micropigmentation include but are not limited to: redness, swelling, puffiness, bruising, dry patches and tenderness.

DAY	EFFECT
1	Swelling, tenderness, thick lipstick look with reddish brick color. For the first few days, the color is darker than it will appear when healed.
2	Slight swelling, reddish, tender, with a slight metallic taste.
3	Less swelling, thicker texture, sore, hot feeling before exfoliation with an orange color.
4-5	Exfoliation begins; very chapped lips. The color will become lighter as the epidermis sloughs off. It will appear that you have lost all of your color. However, when your lips have healed completely, the dermal layer will gradually become darker.
6	A soft, rich color begins to appear.
7-13	Lip color disappears and the "frosty" 2nd chapping stage begins as a whitish gray haze on the lips.
14	Color blooms from within more and more each day until day 21 (3 weeks post procedure).
21	Healing complete. The color you see is the color that you have. Your lips will remain a bit dry for a month or two. Use a good lip balm and they will return to normal with full color.

I UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT THAT FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE POST-PROCEDURE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE MAY RESULT IN A LOSS OR DISCOLORATION OF PIGMENT RESULTING IN A NEED FOR MORE FREQUENT TOUCHUPS.

Patient Name (Printed): _____

Patient Signature: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Witness Name (Printed): _____

Witness Signature: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____