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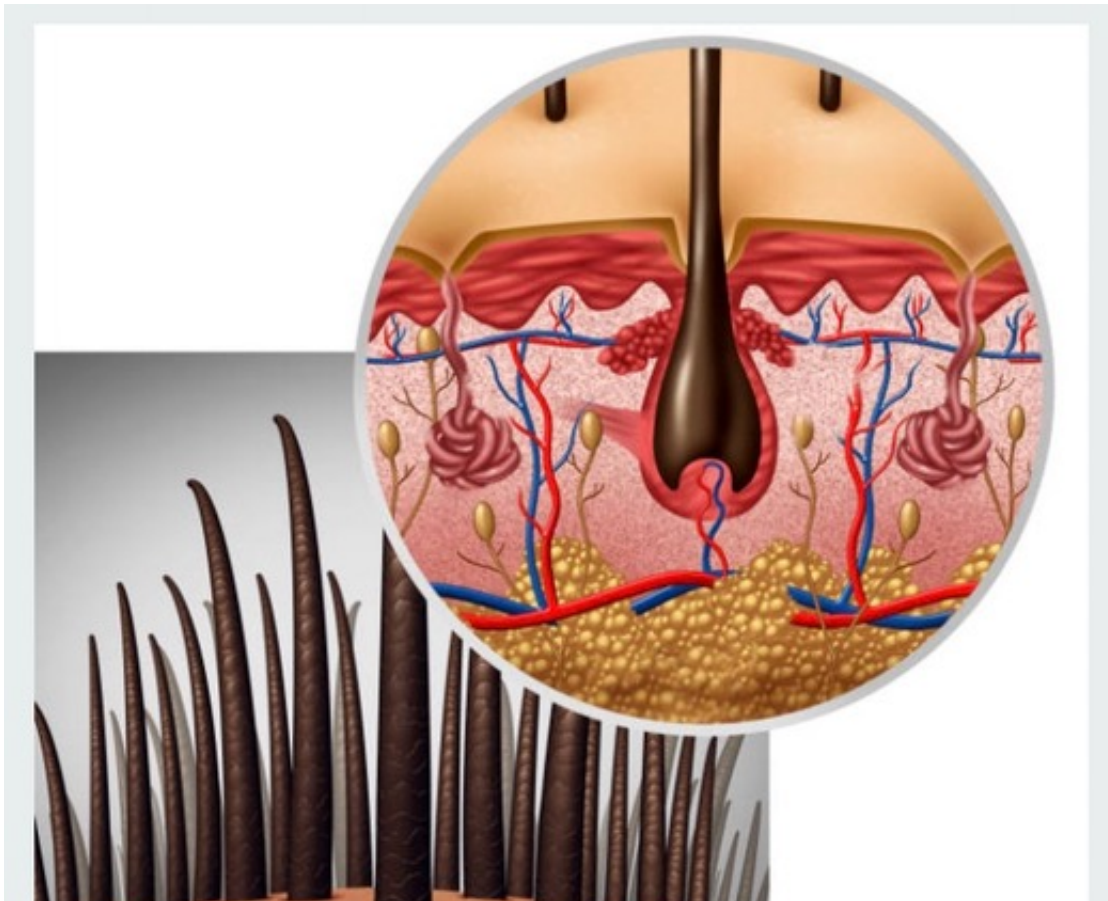
Good morning,

I am writing to encourage you to vote against Senate Bill #348. Passing this bill will open the floodgates to an abundance of practitioners offering threading to the patrons of Kansas. More means that more people will become subjected to services & practices from practitioners that have little to no knowledge of sanitary guidelines, universal precautions & blood spill procedures. Threading carries a much smaller overhead due to the minimal inventory & supplies that it requires to be able to offer the services. This is wonderful opportunity for more people to have a chance to experience the American dream & become a small business but it will come at a price for others.

I have been a practicing esthetician since 2003. There were several services learned within my time in esthetics school that I had zero interest in, but the one key component that was exponential: Repetition. Repetition of the universal standard. Repetition of cleanliness & sanitation. Wash hands, wipe down surfaces with regulation grade sanitizer, disinfect equipment & bed between clients, maintaining a clean space, keeping linens clean & areas free of debris, in addition to what must be done when blood is present.

The mere fact that this was stated in a previous article featured in TIME magazine is a HUGE red flag as to why regulation is necessary, "It doesn't cause bleeding. The only way threading causes bleeding is if you nick someone's skin." The hair follicle has a blood supply (see image below). With every kind of hair removal there is an opportunity for pinpoint bleeding. It doesn't take lifting the skin with waxing or accidentally nicking the skin with an instrument/tool, it is the follicles natural response to the removal of a single hair that receives its nutrients to flourish through blood. (<https://healthland.time.com/2011/08/02/does-eyebrow-threading-carry-health-risks/>). There are 4 different stages of hair growth: anagen, catagen, telogen, exogen. If you are going to preform a service removing something, wouldn't it be necessary to know the biology behind what you are removing?

Everyone has staph on their skin. There is an opportunity for a staph infection to present itself anytime there is a wound on the skin. Removing a simple hair causes a wound response & inflammation leaving it subject to experience this. Brow warts can also be a likeliness with brow threading due to the threader reusing a simple piece of string. These must be treated by a doctor.





It is time to change with the times. With popular services such as lash extensions & threading on the rise, there needs to be exclusive training for those services that gives them to access to offering the safest service possible to everyone. The skill may need to be taught to those that have already been providing this to others in other countries but this does not give them the right to be able to provide this service everywhere. The sanitary practices & knowledge behind what they are doing, which should be achieved by repetitious training should.

What is the likeliness that former graduates & current students who plan to just thread, will request to be reimbursed for their training when this bill passes?

I truly hope I have provided some beneficial information that you will consider valuable in making such an important decision.

Respectfully,
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