# Cosmetic Tattoo by Rosalie

# Pre-Procedure Instructions

#### Be as healthy as possible before any tattoo

- If you are sick it will slow down the healing process
- Avoid alcohol for 24 hours before a procedure;
  alcohol in your bloodstream tends to increase bleeding during a procedure
- Make sure you've eaten something and have had enough to drink (not alcohol!) so that you are not dehydrated
- If you bruise or bleed readily, or regularly use Fish Oil, Ginger, Garlic, Ginseng or Ginko, it is recommended that you stop taking these supplements 3-5 days prior; and start taking Arnica Tablets for 3-5 days prior to your treatment

**Delicate skin or sensitive areas** may redden and swell slightly. It is advisable not to make social plans for the same day, after your treatment, particularly for lip procedures.

## Eyebrow procedures ...

- you can wear your normal make-up on the day of your treatment
- bring your favourite eyebrow pencil/s with you
- unwanted eyebrow hair can be removed at your appointment, but you may find it more convenient to have excess hair waxed or removed prior to your appointment.
- if your eyebrows are normally dyed, wait at least 48 hours after colouring before your treatment; and at least 7 days after your treatment, before recolouring.

## Lip procedures ...

- you can wear your normal make-up on the day of your treatment.
- bring your favourite lipsticks and/or lipliner/s with you
- if you are susceptible to cold sores / fever blisters / mouth ulcers / the procedure is very likely to activate these conditions. To help prevent or minimise the outbreak, it is recommended that you start using Zovirax Cream (available from the Chemist), for 2 days prior to your treatment, and for the 5 days immediately after.
- If you suffer from severe cold sores, it is recommended you take a course of Famvir tablets (or similar) the day prior to treatment. These are usually 3 tablets taken all at once, and are available over-the-counter from your chemist.

#### Eyeliner procedures ...

- please don't wear mascara or eye make-up; but your other make-up is fine.
- avoid using waterproof mascara, and oily makeup remover for at least 2 weeks prior
- eyelash extensions must be removed before your treatment; do not reapply for 2 weeks
- if your eyelashes are normally dyed, wait at least 48 hours after colouring before your treatment; and at least 7 days after your treatment, before recolouring.
- discontinue use of eyelash growing/thickening products for 2 weeks post treatment
- if you wear contact lenses, do not wear them to your appointment; and do not wear them for at least 4 hours after your procedure (preferably not for the rest of the day). So, please bring your glasses!
- it is also recommended that you wear your sunglasses after the treatment.

## Allergy Testing ...

If you suffer from any metal or chemical allergies we may recommend allergy testing (particularly for lipliner) one week prior to the planned procedure.

I look forward to working with you. If you have any questions, please call me, or make notes so that we can discuss them when you arrive for your appointment.