

JCCP Statement: Returning to Practice.

The JCCP is aware that some confusion and concern has arisen in the sector following the Government's latest update from Public Health England regarding returning to practice during phase 3 of lockdown restrictions in England. The update in question relates to Schedule 2 of The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (No. 2) (England) Regulations 2020. Schedule 2 deals with 'businesses which must remain closed':

"7.—(1) Spas, and beauty salons, and for these purposes, "beauty salon" includes any premises providing beauty services including cosmetic, aesthetic and wellness treatments."

Following consultation with a number of Professional Associations over the weekend the JCCP has agreed to await further legal clarification of this new guidance prior to affirming its definitive advice to Registrants.

In the meantime the JCCP can affirm that in the absence of such a definitive legal opinion that at this time its recent opinion and guidance '[Update for practitioners on part 1 of the JCCP register, who propose to resume practice from July 4th](#)', remains in place and unchanged with regard to the decision for healthcare professionals to resume practice to deliver medically-related aesthetic treatments.

Therefore the JCCP is of the continued opinion that you can practise if you:

- Are acting in your capacity as a regulated healthcare professional
- Place patient safety and public protection as your primary concern
- Perform an individual patient assessment and associated risk assessment which leads to a clinical determination (arrived at through the application of the Practitioner's clinical judgement) that confirms that the rationale for the provision of the procedure is medically related
- Undertake the treatment from clinical rather than beauty premises
- Undertake the procedure in accordance with published JCCP guidance and ensure that appropriate patient safety precautions are in place
- Ensure that you are insured for the procedure that you intend to perform

In these circumstances the JCCP would not consider these services to be elective or aesthetic 'beauty related services' and will support its members in their decision to open from the 4th July for the performance of medically related aesthetic treatments. This decision also accords with the advice received from professional statutory regulators.

A further update will be provided when further clarification is received with regard to the JCCP's interpretation of the Government's revised guidance.

Update to return to practice guidance. (<https://bit.ly/38xGsfl>)

'Test and Trace'.

Practitioners will be aware of their requirements for record keeping. In addition, the Government requests that customer information is kept for a period of 21 days, should it be required for the

purposes of 'Test and Trace'. JCCP would advise that practitioners maintain records in such a way that this information is readily available if requested.

Further, whilst it is not currently a legal obligation to provide the requested information for NHS 'Test and Trace' services, JCCP would ask its members to comply fully with any such request should, it be made.

Practitioners, whether employers, employees or self-employed, should also be familiar with the wider workplace guidance of the NHS 'Test and Trace' scheme.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-workplace-guidance>

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