

ASCP Code of Ethics

As a member of Associated Skin Care Professionals, I will appropriately use my membership, and the logos, materials, and resources it provides, to establish my credibility and market my practice. I pledge my commitment to the highest principles of the esthetics profession, as outlined here:

1. Commitment to My Clients

- I will serve the best interests of my clients at all times and provide the highest quality service possible.*
- I will maintain clear and honest communications with my clients.*
- I will maintain the confidentiality of health-related or personal information clients share with me, and demonstrate compassion and respect at all times.*

2. Commitment to Do No Harm

- I will not work outside my scope of practice, as defined by state and federal laws and regulations.*
- I will only provide treatments and techniques for which I am fully trained, and will represent my education, training, qualifications, and abilities honestly. I will refer the client to another provider if the client requires work beyond my own abilities, scope of practice, or training.*
- I will maintain my professional knowledge, including my knowledge of the physiological effects and contraindications of the treatments I offer, in order to determine what will be most beneficial to a given individual.*
- I will not apply contraindicated products or techniques without a written referral from the client's primary care physician, and will cooperate with health-care professionals in a friendly and professional manner.*

3. Commitment to My Profession

- I will project a professional image in my behavior, personal appearance, and work environment.*
- I will maintain the highest standards of ethical and professional conduct in my interactions with clients, business associates, health-care professionals, and the general public.*
- I will not use alcohol or mind-altering drugs before or during professional sessions.*
- I will actively participate in educating the public on the benefits of maintaining and improving healthy skin.*
- I will advocate for my profession when my voice is needed for protection and improvement of my scope of practice.*

4. Commitment to Good Business Practices

- I will promote my services ethically and in good taste, and will not make false claims regarding the potential benefits of the services and products I provide.*
- I will conduct my business honestly and in compliance with the law, in regard to financial matters, record keeping, and all other aspects of business.*

