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Provide facial skin care

Facial skin care is one of the most popular treatments carried out in the salon, with both female and male clients. As well as improving the condition of the client's skin, it is a totally relaxing treatment and your client will leave the salon feeling on top of the world and thoroughly pampered. This unit is the foundation of all facial work and you will learn how to cleanse and carry out various methods of exfoliation, skin warming and comedone extraction, along with massage techniques and mask therapy. You will also learn about different skin types and conditions and how to match them to appropriate skin products.

Assignment mark sheet Unit 204 Provide

facial skin care

Your assessor will mark you on each of the practical tasks in this unit. This page is used to work out your overall grade for the unit. You must pass all parts of the tasks to be able to achieve a grade. For each completed practical task, a pass equals 1 point, a merit equals 2 points and a distinction equals 3 points.

| What you must know | Tick when complete | | |
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| Task 1a: produce an information sheet | | | |
| Task 1b: produce a fact sheet | | | |
| Task 1c: anatomy and physiology | | | |
| Or tick if covered by a GOLA online test | | | |
| What you must do | Grade | Points | |
| Task 2: provide a facial skin care treatment | | | |
| | Overall grade | | |
| During a consultation, always ask the client about always ask the client about any concerns they have with any concerns they have with their skin - after all, they their skin - after all, they have known their skin a lot have known than you have. | Candidate name: | | |
| | Candidate signature: | Date: | |
| | Assessor signature: | Date: | |
| | Quality assurance co-ordinator sign (where applicable): | nature Date: | |
| | External Verifier signature (where applicable): | Date: | |

mage courtesy of Thalgo

What does it mean?

Some useful words are explained below

Aftercare advice

Advice given following a facial in order for the client to benefit from the effectiveness of the treatment.

Body language

A way of communicating to our clients or colleagues using our gestures; not using speech.

Comedone

A spot with a black plug; may be found singularly or in clusters and is common on greasy/combination skin types.

Contra-action

An unfavourable reaction that may occur either during or after a treatment, for example skin swelling.

Contra-indication

A condition that will prevent a facial being carried out, such as conjunctivitis.

Dilated capillaries

Fine red lines that show through the skin, often found on sensitive fine skin on the cheeks or around the nostrils.

Exfoliation

A process to remove dead skin that can be done manually (with the hands and product) or mechanically (using a hand-held or electric brush).

Extraction

A term used to refer to the removal of comedones or milia.

Eye creams/gels

Products used around the eye area; ingredients used for specific effects may include moisturising, tightening or line reducing.



Lip creams/balms

Products used around the lip area; ingredients used for specific effects may include lip plumping, line reducing or nourishing.





A skin-cleansing product that will contain different ingredients; it can be stimulating, moisturising and toning and may be classed as either a setting mask or a non-setting mask.

Skin analysis

The process of looking closely at the client's skin after cleansing, using a magnifier with a light. This is an important part of the facial, as the findings are used to create a suitable treatment plan.

Skin texture

A term used to describe whether the skin is thin or thick – sometimes referred to as fine or coarse.

Skin warming

Methods used to warm the skin; may be done using electrical steamers or damp, hot towels. Skin warming will cleanse, stimulate and soften the skin in preparation for extraction.

What you must know

You must be able to:

Revision tip

PPE (Personal
Protective Equipment)
is available in the
workplace to protect
you. Always wear
disposable gloves for
any extraction work
that is carried out.



Follow in the footsteps of... *Catherine Foster*



Catherine is a Level 3 NVQ Beauty Therapy student at South Tyneside College. She has won several awards, including the Tallow Chandler Award for Excellence in Beauty, World Skills Gold in Intermediate Beauty and the Medal of Excellence. Catherine was also the Level 2 NVQ City & Guilds Make-up Competition winner 2009. Facials are one of Catherine's favourite treatments. Follow the pink quote marks to read what Catherine has to say.

- 1 describe salon requirements for preparing yourself, the client and work area
- 2 state the environmental conditions suitable for facial skin care treatments
- **3** describe different consultation techniques used to identify treatment objectives
- 4 state the importance of carrying out a detailed skin analysis
- 5 describe how to select products, tools and equipment to suit client treatment needs, skin types and conditions
- **6** identify skin types, conditions and characteristics
- 7 describe the contra-indications which prevent or restrict facial treatments
- **8** state how to communicate and behave in a professional manner
- **9** describe health and safety working practices
- 10 state the importance of positioning yourself and the client correctly throughout the treatment
- 11 state the importance of using products, tools, equipment and techniques to suit clients' treatment needs, skin type and conditions
- **12** describe how treatments can be adapted to suit clients' treatment needs, skin types and conditions

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14 state the importance of completing the treatment to the satisfaction of the client

15 state the importance of completing treatment records

16 state the aftercare advice that should be provided

17 describe the structure and functions of the skin

18 describe diseases and disorders of the skin

19 explain how natural ageing, lifestyle and environmental factors affect the condition of the skin and muscle tone

20 state the position and action of the muscles of the head, neck and shoulders

21 state the names and position of the bones of the head, neck and shoulders

22 describe the structure and function of the blood and lymphatic system for the head, neck and shoulders



Fingernails must be kept short with smooth edges to avoid catching any delicate skin on the client's face.



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Recommend appropriate

products from the salon's

retail stock - this is not

retail stock - this is not

only professional, but boosts

the salon's revenue.





Always make sure your client is either wearing a head band or towel to cover their hair.



Aftercare advice is essential to the treatment, enabling the client to continue to benefit from the effects of their facial at home.

Clients with low blood pressure sometimes need their head and lower legs to be slightly raised during a facial. If the couch is not adjustable, a rolled towel or a pillow underneath the head and lower legs or knees will give the same result.

What you must do Practical observations

This page shows what you need to do during your practical task. You can look at it beforehand, but you're **not** allowed to have it with you while carrying out your practical task. You must achieve all the criteria; you can achieve 1 mark, 2 marks or 3 marks for the criteria indicated with *.

Conversion chart

| Grade | Marks |
|-------------|-------|
| Pass | 16-19 |
| Merit | 20-26 |
| Distinction | 27-30 |

O Please tick when all pre-observation requirements have been met.

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| 1 | Prepare yourself, the of for facial skin care trea | lient and the work area tment | 1 |
| 2 | Use suitable consultat identify treatment obj | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | 1 |
| 3 | Carry out a skin analys | is * | 1 |
| 4 | Provide clear recomm | endations to the client * | 1 |
| 5 | Position yourself and t throughout the treatm | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | 1 |
| 6 | Select and use approp | riate cleansing products | 1 |
| 7 | Select and use approp warming techniques | riate exfoliating and skin | 1 |
| 8 | Apply a suitable massa | age medium | 1 |
| 9 | Use and adapt approp massage techniques * | 1 | |
| 10 | Select and use approp suit client skin type and | 1 | |
| 11 | Complete the treatme moisturising and speci | 0 | 1 |
| 12 | Complete the treatme the client | nt to the satisfaction of | 1 |
| 13 | Provide suitable aftero | care advice * | 1 |
| 14 | Record the results of t | he treatment | 1 |
| 15 | Follow health and safe | 1 | |
| 16 | Communicate and beh professional manner * | | 1 |
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What you must do Practical observations descriptors table

This table shows what you need to do to achieve 1, 2 or 3 marks for the criteria indicated with * on the previous page.

| | 1 mark | 2 marks | 3 marks |
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| 2 Use suitable consultation techniques to identify treatment objectives | Basic consultation carried out Examples: closed questions used throughout, questioning covered contra-indications | Good consultation carried out Examples: open and closed questions, positive body language, questioning covered contra- indications, general health, lifestyle and expectations | Thorough consultation carried out Examples: open and closed questions, positive body language, questioning covered contra-indications, general health, lifestyle and expectations, confirm understanding of treatment objectives with the client |
| 3 Carry out skin analysis | Skin cleansed, magnifier and light used. Some recording of skin characteristics. | Skin cleansed, magnifier and light used, good observations of skin characteristics recorded | Skin cleansed thoroughly, magnifier and light used, detailed observations of skin characteristics recorded |
| 4 Provide clear recommendations to the client | A basic treatment plan is recommended Examples: objectives of the treatment identified. A treatment plan is recommended. | A good treatment plan is recommended Examples: objectives of the treatment, and products used | A thorough treatment plan is recommended Examples: objectives of the treatment taking into account skin type/condition, products to be used and their specific effects; how the treatment will feel and benefits of each process |
| 9 Use and adapt massage techniques to meet the needs of the client | Adapts the massage to suit skin type and skin condition | Adapts the massage to suit the skin type, skin condition, varies the rate and rhythm according to treatment objectives identified | Adapts the massage to suit the skin type, skin condition, varies the rate, rhythm, pressure, sequence and time according to treatment objectives identified |

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What you must do Practical observations descriptors table (continued)

This table shows what you need to do to achieve 1, 2 or 3 marks for the criteria indicated with * on the previous page.

| | 1 mark | 2 marks | 3 marks |
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| 10 Select and use mask products to suit client's skin type and condition | Mask is suitable for skin type and is removed without causing any discomfort to the client | Mask is suitable for skin type and condition, is applied to neck and face and removed without leaving any residue or causing any discomfort to the client | Mask is suitable for skin type and condition, applied evenly to neck, face and along hairline, removed without leaving any residue or causing any discomfort to the client |
| 13 Provide suitable aftercare advice | Basic aftercare advice to include possible contra- actions | Good level of aftercare advice to include possible contraactions, homecare products, advice on homecare routine and further treatments | Excellent aftercare advice to include possible contra-actions, homecare products, advice on homecare routine, recommended lifestyle changes and further treatments |
| 16 Communicate and behave in a professional manner | Satisfactory communication and behaviour throughout the treatment Examples: polite, friendly, positive body language, speaks clearly | Good communication and behaviour throughout the treatment Examples: polite, friendly, positive body language, speaks clearly, respectful to colleagues and clients, listens and responds to client needs | Excellent communication and behaviour throughout the treatment Examples: polite, friendly, positive body language, speaks clearly, respectful to colleagues and clients, listens and responds to client's need, shows a reassuring and confident manner |



Cleansing products should be warmed in the therapist's hands before application.

Comment form

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| This form can be used to record comments by you, your client, or your assessor. | | | |
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The facial massage is the client's time to relax and unwind. Avoid talking to them during the treatment, unless they want to have a conversation. As an added bonus, while the face mask is on, carry the face mask is on, carry out a hand and arm out a hand and will make the massage; this will make the client feel very special and cared-for.