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Differentiation of medical procedure / practices and beauty service

- Medical procedure is a course of action intended to achieve a result
 in the care of persons well-being. The presence of risk of
 complications requiring medical treatment is integral in the
 definition of a medical procedure.
- A beauty procedure will not incur harm or damage to the person involved.
- The regulatory controls should be proportional to the level of risk associated with a medical device.

Regulation of high-risk medical procedure / practice

 Risk of the medical procedure is measured by the potential complication as a result of the procedure / practice. The special knowledge required is reviewed by the medical specialty under the Academy of Medicine definition. The course of training is defined at the Academy of Medicine.

Regulation of medical cosmetic devices

- To ensure that products marketed in HK meet desired standards of safety, quality and performance
- Device needs registration with Department of health
- Device that have been submitted for product registration but have not undergone the complete evaluation are placed on the Transition List. Their use need to be under the specialist registered doctors in the field with the training in dealing with the possible complications
- Devices are classified into classes according to the level of risks of complications.