

## **a position definition by the European Board of Dermatology-Venereology**

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**Corrective, cosmetic and aesthetic dermatology is a part of dermatovenereological specialty which aims to improve the condition of normal and diseased skin on a scientific and medical basis. It is based on the special knowledge and unique expertise that dermatovenereologists have on the structure and function of normal and diseased skin and adjacent mucous membranes.**

**Any invasive and noninvasive procedure aimed to improve the condition of the skin may have serious adverse effects. Thus, a proper diagnosis and expert knowledge of possible unwanted adverse events and limitations of the methods employed is required. This is even more important when treating conditions without underlying skin disease.**

**Therefore, to ensure patients safety and quality of care, corrective, cosmetic and aesthetic treatments should only be performed according to the definition of the Medical Act ( UEMS )by either board-certified dermatovenereologists who are trained for this purpose or by those which by the curriculum teaching program of their speciality are particularly trained ( Plastic Surgeons,ETN, Ophthalmologists, Maxillary Surgeons).**