



Code of Ethics

All ISAPS members are expected to abide by our Code of Ethics. Members who are found to have acted in an unethical manner that brings the profession of plastic surgery or our Society into disrepute can be expelled from the Society.

Members of the International Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery will:

- Serve humanity with full respect for the dignity of all persons.
- Strive always to improve medical skills and make available to patients and colleagues the benefits of professional knowledge.
- Practice method of healing on a scientific basis and not associate professionally with anyone who does not uphold this principle.
- Strive to protect the public and the profession against physicians who are incompetent or have a low moral character.
- Observe all laws, honor the dignity of the profession, and accept self-imposed discipline.
- Expose illegal or unethical conduct of fellow members of the profession.
Render proper service in an emergency.
- Refrain from soliciting patients.
- Limit the source of professional income to medical service actually rendered. Fees will be fair and just and commensurate with service rendered.
- Dispense drugs, remedies, and appliances only when in the best interest of the patient.
- Seek consultation upon request in doubtful or difficult cases, or if the quality of medical service may be enhanced. to do so by law.
- Honor the ideals of the medical profession and participate in activities that improve the health and wellbeing of the individual patient.
- Not to operate on minors for purely cosmetic reasons

Specific Principles:

All ISAPS members shall:

- Act in the highest professional manner as a member of the International Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery.
- Be responsible and accountable for actions and publicity.

Be aware of disciplinary action if:

- The right to practice is terminated in any state, province, or country for a violation of medical practice act or other statute or governmental regulation. This will include the prescribing of excessive drugs, exhibiting medical incompetence, or charges of sexual harassment.
- Unjustified surgery or treatment that will not improve or benefit the patient is performed.
- Unprofessional conduct of the National Code of Ethics under which they reside is violated.
- Patients are solicited by advertisement which contains misrepresentation, or is likely to deceive, or create false or unjustified expectations, or imply that skills are superior to other equally trained physicians; or advertisement that contains implications that would cause the lay person to misunderstand or by primarily appealing to the fears or emotions of the lay person.
- Physician engages in self-aggrandizement by excessive reference to themselves in the public media as being the only one capable of doing certain types of plastic surgery, referring to income or wealth, or making disparaging remarks about other ethical medical doctors.