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As president of the ESAS and International Board of Cosmetic Surgeons I highly recommend that the speciality of cosmetic surgery and medicine be recognized as a distinct speciality in its own right.

Cosmetic surgery and medicine is a new and rapidly evolving practice at the moment being legged on to various specialties namely plastic, ent and maxillofacial. Being a multi discipline area it does not belong to any specific discipline. Time has come to be recognized as a separate speciality.

We in Europe have developed with the EU council and various other organizations and are trying to acknowledge that cosmetic surgery will be separate and not tagged on to any other speciality. It is logical for this to be officially recognized. Once this has occurred medical protection with appropriate training for surgeons regardless of original training can occur and apply for accreditation in the new speciality or sub speciality. This process would provide a better protection for the patient to identify practitioners with the relevant qualifications; it is too dangerous for the public to leave this at the current state of affairs as this process does not clarify areas of expertise of a professional.

The main aim is to protect the public as we learned in medical school 'do no harm'. We recognize the efforts of the A.C.C.S pathing the way for this to occur whilst not seeking the monopoly.

Yours Sincerely

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