

Notes from Body Art Stakeholder Meeting, August 20:

First meeting for input regarding possible regulation changes. Purpose of the meeting is to hear the ideas of the body artists and gather input for any additional changes we should add or delete.

Discussion regarding Boulder County possibly in the future issuing individual body art licensing in addition to facility licensing. Looking for input about what standards we would want to see for apprenticeship – what does that mean? Ideas include:

- Apprenticeship verification- Discussed the idea of setting minimum criteria for what is needed to move on to become a body artist. Need further input on what this would look like before we would move this forward including who can sign off on the work, number of hours, other training (anatomy course for piercing?), APP membership, other ideas.
- Suggestion of minimum qualifications for opening a business, such as proof of work in a licensed shop for a period of time
- Having a standard of minimum time having worked before a business can train future apprentices.

We went through some of the changes to the regulations, including:

- 1) Employee health, minimum age, vaping.
- 2) Additions to after forms
- 3) Covering equipment in use during procedures. Do machines need to be included or excluded from being covered during a tattoo procedure.
- 4) Steps for cleaning and sterilizing
- 5) Jewelry standard – APP standard
- 6) Ear lobe piercing no longer excluded from regulation

Some discussion around age requirements for piercing – bottom age limit for piercing beyond the ear?

Concerns brought up about whether or not the grips for cartridge machines need to be sterilized or can they be covered and wrapped and cleaned. Need further discussion.