

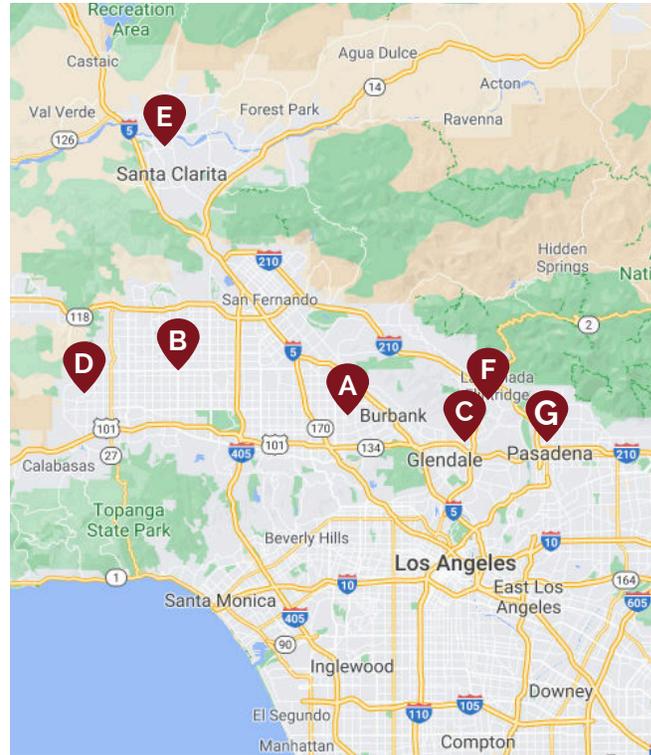
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ABOUT SBC

Skin & Beauty Center, is a full-service medical, surgical, and cosmetic dermatology practice. We strive to offer you unparalleled standards of safety and care using only the latest techniques and advances in the field of dermatology.

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What is microneedling?

Automated microneedling (also known as Collagen Induction Therapy or CIT) is a new innovation in aesthetic medicine for treating the appearance of fine lines, acne scars and improvement of the skin's overall appearance. During this procedure, tiny needles are used to create controlled micro-punctures to the skin in order to produce collagen and elastin. The skin's repair process results in improvement of the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles. Automated microneedling also creates superficial micro-channels which can be used with topical gels, creams and serums to help improve the overall appearance of the skin. Microneedling procedures at SBC offices use a microneedling pen and the most advanced medical-grade automated microneedling devices on the market.

How is the procedure done?

A sterile needle tip containing 12 micro-needles is attached to the microneedling pen. Your skincare professional will apply a thin layer of topical gel to your skin and select the appropriate setting based on your unique needs. Next, in a single motion, the pen will be gently pressed against the skin while simultaneously gliding in one direction until the entire treatment area has been covered.

What does it feel like?

The feeling most often associated with microneedling is a steady prickling sensation. While some areas are more sensitive than others, the speed of the reciprocating needle tip reduces discomfort while the applied hydrating gel also makes the treatment more tolerable.

How long does the procedure take?

Most patients are in the office for one hour. The procedure generally takes 15-30 minutes depending on the size of the area treated and additional time may be added for numbing before the treatment.

What areas of the body can I treat?

The microneedling pen can be used on all parts of the body including the face, neck, décolleté, arms, hands, legs, abdomen and back.

What are the benefits?

The benefits of microneedling include a reduction in the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles as well as younger-looking skin with fewer signs of aging. The microneedling pen also has a positive effect on hyper-pigmentation as well as on hypo-pigmentation, acne scars, traumatic scars and stretch marks.

What is the downtime?

Immediately after the treatment you will notice a bright redness to the skin. The total healing time depends on the setting used and the number of overlapping passes your skincare professional performs. On average, patients are red up to 2-4 days. Some patients heal completely in as little as 24 hours. Our providers can recommend a customized care plan with quality skincare products to help speed up the healing process.

When will I see the results?

Many patients notice a "glow" to their skin immediately following the first treatment. Additional visible changes to the skin develop over the course of several days and weeks. Results continue to improve up to 6 months after the treatment as collagen production continues.

How many treatments will I need?

Some patients only require a single treatment, once per year, to achieve optimal results. However, it is recommended for most patients to receive a series of 2-3 treatments spaced about 6-8 weeks apart. For patients with deep wrinkles, advanced photo-aging, stretch marks or acne scars, it is recommended to receive 6-8 sessions at 6 week intervals.

