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TATTOO AFTERCARE GUIDANCE:

To ensure your tattoo remains happy & healthy, please follow the aftercare instructions provided below.

If you have any questions about the information provided, or would like further advice, please contact the studio.

- 1. Keep your new tattoo covered with the cling-film provided at your appointment for around 2-4 hours. Once removed, gently wash the area with warm, soapy water.
- 2. Pat the area dry with a non-fluffy towel or kitchen roll- basically a material that wont leave residual fibres on the skin that can infiltrate the tattoo and cause an infection; and apply a thin coating of Bepanthen.
- 3. For the remainder of your healing process (around 2-3 weeks afterwards), apply a small layer of Bepanthen a few times a day. It is important that you keep the skin hydrated- not suffocated, so ensure you only use a small amount of cream! Too much can clog the pores, cause break-outs and infections... Nasty.

TOP TIPS TO REMEMBER:

- During the initial weeks of the tattoos healing process, its not uncommon for your tattoo to get a little scabby. Whilst they can get a little itchy at times, it is vital that you do not scratch it! Don't even think about it! Picking and scratching can lead to infection, slow your healing process and even scar...

 If you absolutely have to make the itching stop, give the affected area a big, direct slap!
- Bath time is fun and all, but not for your tattoo. So put that rubber ducky away for a while and stick to quick showers. Soaking your tattoo in dirty water- that includes swimming pools, lakes, saunas, toxic dumping grounds... They're only going to get your tattoo infected...
- We know you just want to flaunt your new tattoo to the world, but try not to expose it to the sun for at least three weeks. Once it's all healed, use a strong factor sunscreen to protect it against fading.
- Perhaps the most important tip of all- only use a small amount of Bepanthen when moisturizing your tattoo. Seriously, a pea-sized amount, just so it coats a thin layer over the area is enough. Anymore and you're effectively suffocating your skin.
- You can use other products such as specially designed tattoo aftercare creams and lotions on your tattoo, which can be purchased through reputable tattoo suppliers, however we have found Bepanthen to be the best cream for a wide variety of skin types and healing processes. However, never ever use Vaseline for your healing process- I know we use it in our procedure but as an after-care lotion? It sucks. Steer clear.

Enjoy your new tattoo!