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***UPDATE ON NEW EUROPEAN DRAFT STANDARD:
AESTHETIC SURGERY AND AESTHETIC NON-SURGICAL MEDICAL SERVICES***

The public consultation process held last year for the European standard for Aesthetics Surgery Services, EN 16372, received a large number of comments from European countries, including the UK. The comments have now been reviewed by the European committee and as a result the draft has undergone significant changes. The revised draft is now going out for a second public consultation before moving on to the final stage in its development process.

As a result of feedback received during the first consultation, the title of the standard has been changed from 'Aesthetic surgery services' to 'Aesthetic surgery and aesthetic non-surgical medical services' to reflect its wide scope.

EN 16372 is a proposed European standard and has to take in to account the nature and country variances across the European market place with regards to aesthetic surgery. To accommodate the UK's country requirements with regards to cosmetic surgery, BSI has requested for a number of exceptions to be included in the draft for review. These exceptions can be found in Annex C of the draft.

The British Standards Institution (BSI) is leading the consultation process in the UK and interested parties from the aesthetics sector can register their comments online at <http://drafts.bsigroup.com> from 16th March 2013.

The final version of the standard is expected to be published in 2014.

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