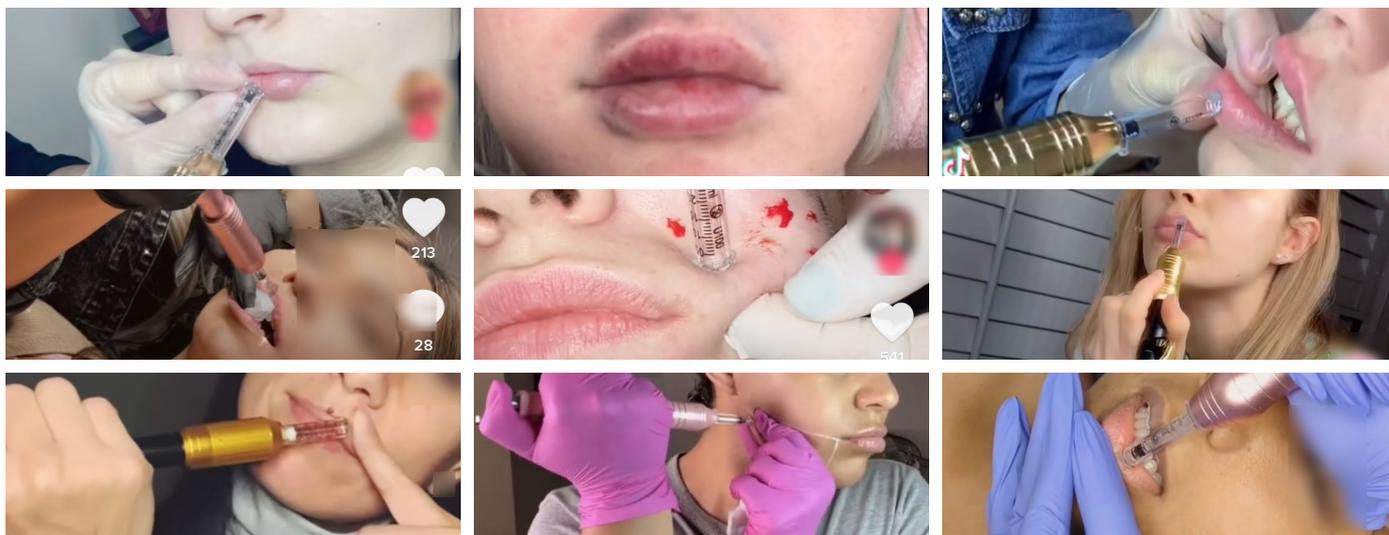


# HYALURON PENS A DANGER TO CHILDREN

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## DISTURBING SOCIAL MEDIA TREND

A recent trend of disturbing social media videos show children self-administering hyaluron pens that allegedly deliver hyaluronic acid filler into the epidermal and upper dermal layers of the skin without traditional needles or injections. Companies are marketing these devices as perfect for patients who dislike needles or injections, and as a painless treatment that can be less invasive and a fast way to plump and fill their lips, fine lines and/or wrinkles.

The pens are medical devices first developed for insulin delivery and use pressure technology to cause the hyaluronic acid to insert Nano Scale molecules of the hyaluronic acid filler through the skin. Consumers are being told these devices can create volume and shape and lift lips, nasolabial lines, marionette lines, 11 lines and/or forehead wrinkles. Additional marketing claims note that the hyaluronic acid only reaches the papillary layer of the dermis making this a safe treatment with no risk of occlusion as well as no sharp tips to puncture blood vessels.

As with any medical treatment, there can be adverse events. Keep medical devices in the hands of trained and educated medical professionals and see a board certified dermatologist for cosmetic procedures.

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