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Area of Dermatology Surgery Expertise: Tumescent Local Anesthesia, Tumescent Liposuction

State in which I am licensed: California

Preferred Time to Participate: Weekend or Monday

Intended Outcome of My Visit:

For Residents to acquire a better understanding of Tumescent Local Anesthesia and it's applications

Brief Bio

Dr. Jeffrey Klein is a dermatologic surgeon practicing in San Juan Capistrano and Newport Beach in Orange County, California. Dr. Klein is listed a Diplomat for the American Board of Dermatology, the American Board of Internal Medicine, and the American Board of Cosmetic Surgery. In addition to Dr. Klein has completed a National Institute of Health Research Fellowship in Clinical Pharmacology, as well as advanced degrees in mathematics and biostatistics.

As a result of his scientific training, he was able to invent the technique for tumescent local anesthesia and tumescent liposuction totally by local anesthesia. Dr. Klein first described the tumescent technique for liposuction at a scientific meeting in 1986 and published his result in the Journal of the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery in 1987. Prior to 1986, all liposuction surgeries were done under general anesthesia, were associated with significant surgical blood loss and prolonged post-operative recovery of two or more weeks.

The advent of tumescent liposuction permitted liposuction to be done totally by local anesthesia with virtually no blood loss. Within a few years tumescent liposuction became the worldwide standard of care. In addition, Dr. Klein continues to be active in research and teaching at the University of California, Irvine and Riverside campuses.