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Tattoos



About Tattoos

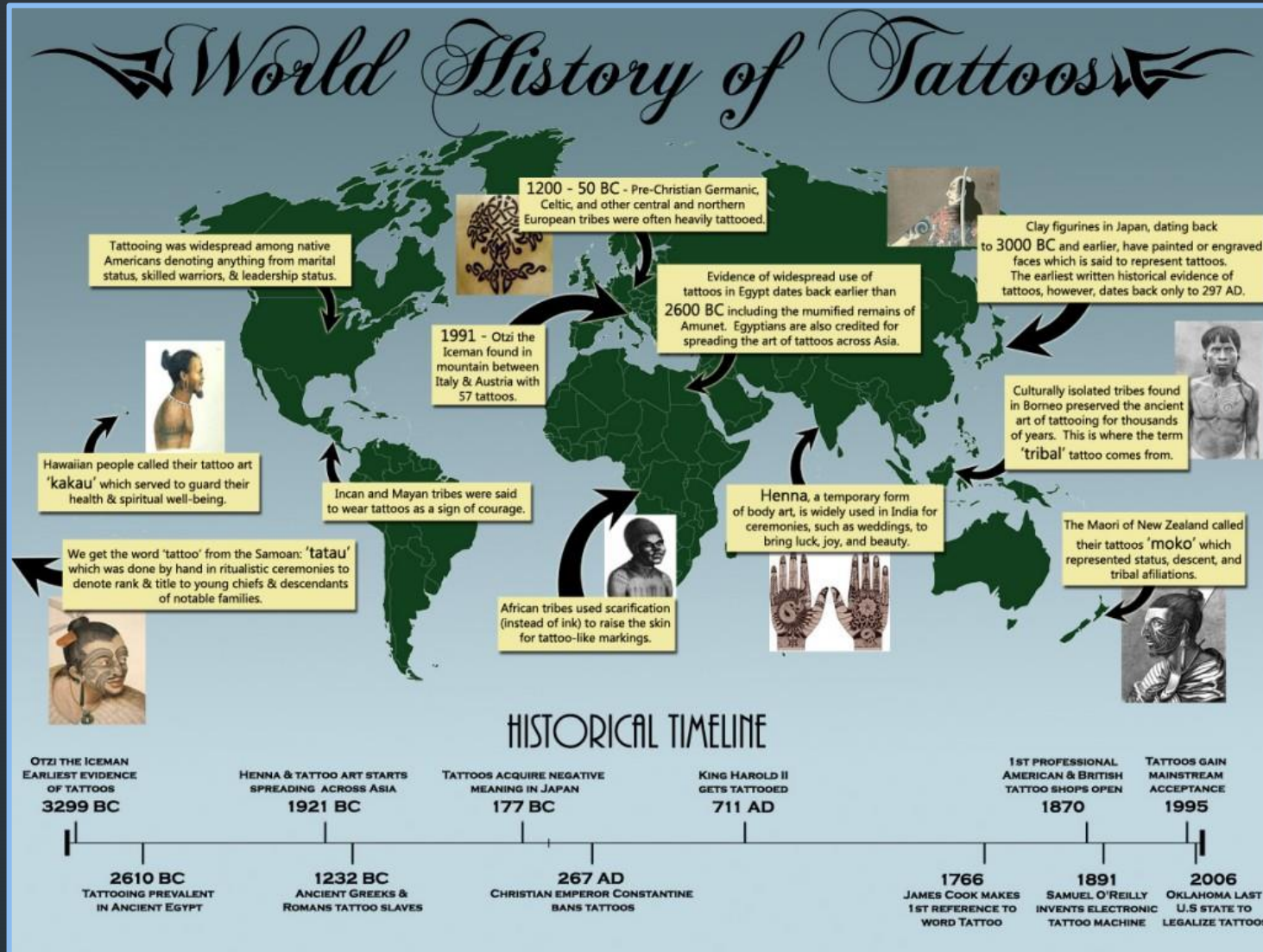
Indiana Law:

- 1. Any indelible design, letter, scroll, figure, symbol, or other mark placed with the aid of needles or other instruments;
-OR-
- 2. Any design, letter, scroll, figure, symbol done by scarring on or under the skin



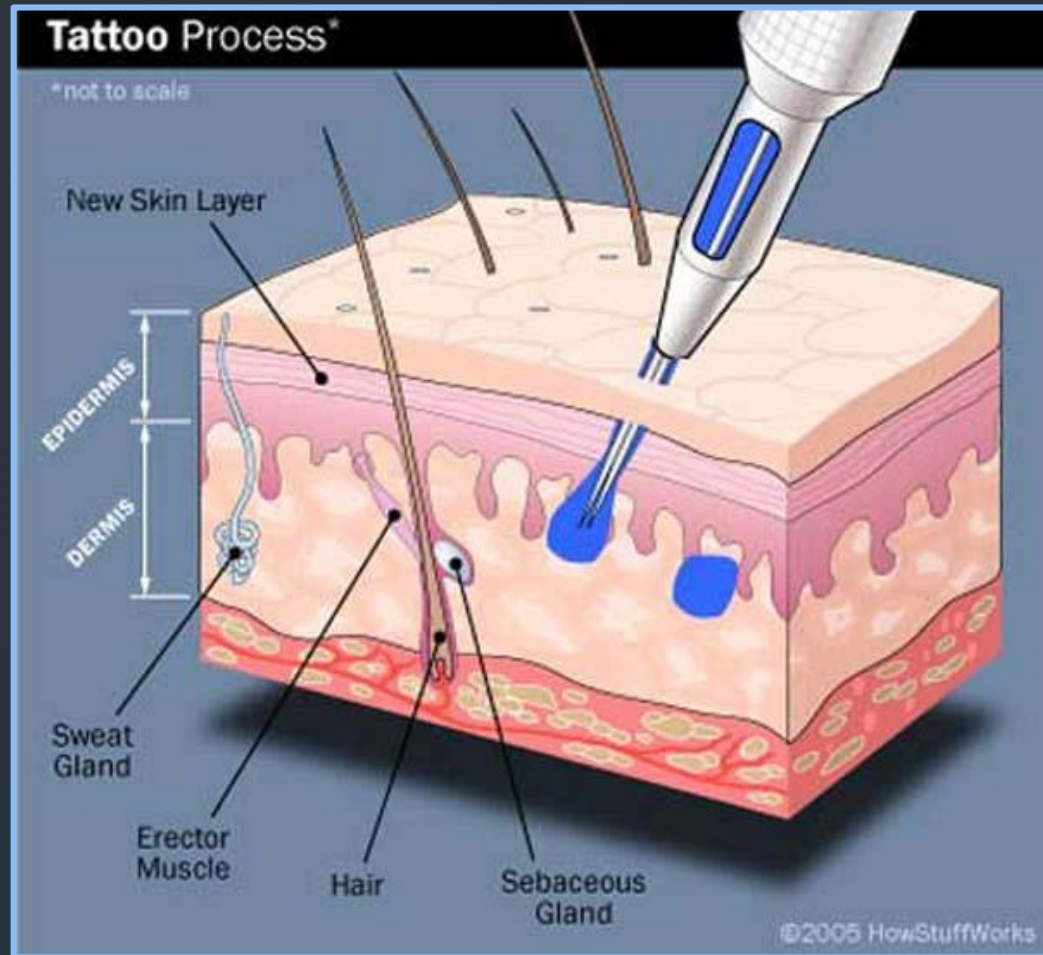
Johnson County Health Department. *Tattoo & Body Piercing*,
n.d. <http://co.johnson.in.us/health/tattoo-body-piercing/>

History



King of Tattoos. *A Brief History of Tattoos*, 7 Nov. 2013.
<https://kingoftattoos.wordpress.com/2013/11/07/a-brief-history-of-tattoos/>

Process



- Handheld device
- Needle punctures skin
- Ink inserted in skin

Sk-Ink Lovers. *The Tattoo Process*, Jan. 2012.
<http://skinklovers.blogspot.com/2012/01/tattoo-process.html>

Risks



Complication Causes

- Products not from reputable supplier
- Ink used for unintended purposes
- Contaminated ink
- Unhygienic practices
- Unsterilized equipment



Signs of Infection



- Discharge
- Red streaks
- Worsening pain
- Unusual swelling
- Rash
- Fever
- Chills

Nguyen, Ashley. Grand View University. *Risks*, 3 Dec. 2012.
<https://artkabnguyen.wordpress.com/2012/12/03/risks/>

If a Reaction

www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch



Wattenburg, Jay. FDA. *Report Adverse Events and Sign Up to Get Medical Product Information with MedWatch*, 13 Mar. 2012. <https://blogs.fda.gov/fdavoices/index.php/tag/medwatch/>

- Contact physician
- Report to FDA
- Inform tattoo artist

Caring for a New Tattoo



WikiHow. *How to Care for a Tattoo*, n.d.
<https://www.wikihow.com/Care-for-a-Tattoo>



Tattoo Removal



Blevins, James. 123 Gite. *Different Ways of Tattoo Removal*, 25 Jul. 2016. <http://www.123gite.com/different-ways-tattoo-removal/>



Agarwal, Meeta. MedIndia. *Tattoo Removal Methods*, 24 Jun. 2017. <https://www.medindia.net/patients/lifestyleandwellness/tattoo-removal-methods.htm>

- Expensive
- Several treatments
- May not fully remove
- May lead to scarring

Laws



- State Law:
 - 410 IAC 1-5
- Local Law:
 - Johnson County Ordinance No. 2005

CDC. *Body Art: Reduce Cross-Contamination*, 25 Sep. 2013.
https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/body_art/contamination.html

CDC. *Body Art: Prevent Needlestick Injuries*, 25 Sep. 2013.
https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/body_art/needlestick.html

What to Look For

- Clean
- Gloves
- Hand washing
- Sterile equipment
- Registered with local health department



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