## Youthful Beginnings provides clients with a more holistic approach to beauty

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In an industry driven by trends and influencers, it's sometimes difficult to find clarity among the various procedures, products and professional care that lie behind it.

Courtney Rapp, registered nurse and CEO of Youthful Beginnings, believes clarity is key. For her, it's all about education, business discipline, protocol-driven care and a client-first ethos. It's about dedication to every person who's trying to lose weight, feel more confident, look rejuvenated or access a range of other health and aesthetics services delivered by qualified, licensed professionals.

Rapp and company founder Michelle Dickerson, FNP, DNP, both have decades of clinical experience in the acute care setting, and they are driven by protocol, not fads.

"We may recognize trends on social media, but that doesn't mean we're chasing the next viral procedure," Rapp said. "Every treatment is carefully vetted for safety and effectiveness before we offer it. Our goal is to keep a pulse on the industry but not follow fads — it's to uphold the highest standards of safety, quality and professionalism for our clients."

Youthful Beginnings was established in 2019 when Dickerson decided to pursue her passion in aesthetics. She and Rapp have since built six successful Youthful Beginnings locations throughout the state, with the first franchise expected to open in December at 12006 Southshore Pointe Drive in Midlothian. Their second franchise location will be opening in Kilmarnock, Virginia, early next year.

From injectables to laser treatments, the company offers a range of procedures to empower individuals and help them gain newfound confidence. Youthful Beginnings also offers a new wellness approach to services, including a very robust weight loss program, bioidentical hormone replacement therapies and vitamin and peptide injections.

Rapp noted that while many people associate med spas primarily with fillers and Botox, Youthful



Youthful Beginnings founder Dr. Michelle Dickerson, FNP, DNP, and medical director Dr. Richard L. Bennett, MD

Beginnings takes a more holistic approach to wellness — focusing on comprehensive care rather than viewing treatments solely as aesthetic luxuries.

"First and foremost, our focus is on understanding each patient's goals," said Rapp. "Everything we do is rooted in a patient-centered approach. We begin every consultation by asking, 'What brings you in today?' Whether it's enhancing their appearance, improving their health or supporting overall well-being, the answer is unique to each client we see."

Rapp said people can easily get misled in terms of the latest med spa trends.

"Too often, attention in this industry goes to those with the most followers rather than to those with the proper education and medical expertise — and that can be dangerous," Dickerson said. "We've seen people purchasing neurotoxins online and attempting to inject themselves at home, which poses serious risks. At Youthful Beginnings, we monitor trends, but we don't chase them. Our focus is on safety and achieving the client's optimal results. We hope to help raise the standard for our industry rather than cutting corners for quick gains."

"Maintaining strict clinical discipline allows us to ensure compliance and consistency across all of our locations," said Rapp. "That commitment is what has built our strong reputation within the communities that we serve."

Rapp added that the company continues to evolve through strategic investments in advanced technology, including laser therapy for conditions such as acne and melasma. Youthful Beginnings has also expanded its offerings to include a comprehensive weight loss program and bioidentical hormone replacement therapy.

"We provide services for men and women in a stage of life where health, confidence and overall well-being become top priorities," said Rapp. "Integrating hormone replacement therapy into our business allows us to address those concerns from the inside out. These treatments support both physical and emotional well-being, helping clients feel as good as they look. That's the essence of our approach, where we believe beauty is more than skin deep."

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