

JOEL SCHLESSINGER, MD (USA)

Joel Schlessinger, MD, a board-certified dermatologist and cosmetic surgeon, is the editor-in-chief, Cosmetic Surgery, for Practical Dermatology and the founder of Cosmetic Surgery Forum, a course entering its 12th year in Nashville (formerly hosted in Las Vegas). He is the former president of the American Society of Cosmetic Dermatology and Aesthetic Surgery and is the past president of the Nebraska Dermatology Society. Dr. Schlessinger started LovelySkin.com in 1997, which is now the largest website run by a dermatologist in the world.

Dr. Schlessinger completed his internship and residency in pediatrics at the University of Alabama Children's Hospital in Birmingham. Following this, he completed his dermatology residency at Barnes Hospital at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, MO.

Dr. Schlessinger has been consistently voted the best cosmetic surgeon and dermatologist in Omaha, NE for over 22 years in a row and one of America's Top Docs, US News Best Doctors and Best Doctors in America (both dermatology and pediatric dermatology) as well as an Elle Beauty Genius award winner.

He has been in private practice since 1992. In addition to an interest in cosmeceuticals and cosmetic surgery, Dr. Schlessinger operates a clinical trials unit (Advanced Skin Research Center), which has performed over 300 trials in 25 years, including trials of neurotoxins and fillers, trials of lasers and devices such as Ultherapy and Liposonix, Revance topical botulinum toxin, Evolus, Teosyal and over 14 new compounds for psoriasis.

He and his son, Daniel, introduced the first body balm containing 1% hydrocortisone in a stick formulation (FixMySkin Healing Balm), which is now patented in the US as well as several other countries (and available as a lip balm as well).

In addition to Dr. Schlessinger's work in the field of skin care, he spends much of his time giving back to humanitarian causes. Dr. Schlessinger, along with his family, made two relief trips to Haiti after the earthquake of 2010 and his staff regularly donates to various charities. Lastly, Dr. Schlessinger has donated makeup from LovelySkin to battered women's shelters and for women who are recovering from addictions so they can start a new life. He is on the board of several non-profit organizations in Omaha and an active member of the Omaha Jewish community.

In November of 2010, he opened a flagship retail version of LovelySkin in Omaha, which offers over 15,000 products from 350 skin care lines. This is the first exclusive cosmeceutical store in the United States of its type and has been featured in multiple publications including Women's Wear Daily.

He employs a staff of 130 and his solo practice facility and LovelySkin retail store now comprise over 42,000 square feet in Omaha. He and his wife, Nancy, live in Omaha and are very proud of their two adult children and boy pug, Leo.