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Michael Byun, MD, Director of Chicago Cosmetic Surgery, describes himself as an Architect of Beauty™. He says that aesthetic surgery is not just skin-deep, but rather a 3-D procedure that affects the entire structure of the body. Similarly, plastic surgery is not just a means of changing appearance, says Dr. Byun, but a type of medical treatment: "The millennium approach of cosmetic surgery is not to change

someone, but to treat the aging process—the saggy cheeks and saggy eyes."

Dr. Byun has been performing mid-facelifts since the mid-1990s and has taught the procedure to others. He says that youthful faces are lifted, not pulled. Faces age vertically rather than laterally, he notes, and his mid-facelift procedure takes this into account and results in

a more natural, youthful appearance. He also says his mid-facelift patients recover faster and look better as they age than patients who have undergone more traditional facelift procedures.

In addition to his surgical practice, Dr. Byun is working with research and manufacturing companies to design special sutures (Coapt) that allow surgical procedures to be performed in a non-invasive manner. This is the latest breakthrough in the field of facial plastic surgery. Dr. Byun received his medical degree from Northwestern University Medical School and completed a clinical fellowship in plastic surgery at Northwestern, and he is board certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery.



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