Take the **detective work** out of choosing **safer cosmetics**.



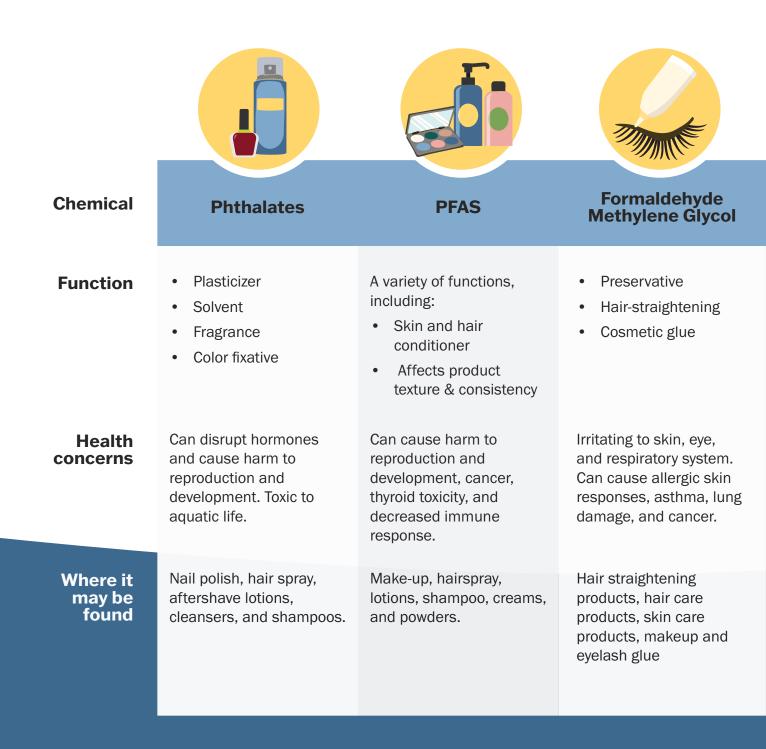
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Safer cosmetics are coming to stores and salons **near you.**

Cosmetics are more than makeup—they include most personal care products, like shampoo, deodorant, and lotion. Some cosmetic chemicals are linked to harmful health impacts, like the ones shown here. In Washington, we're restricting use of these chemicals in cosmetics, so the products you use every day are becoming safer.



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This information is compiled from publicly available studies about chemical ingredients that have been found in certain types of cosmetics. It is not exhaustive, nor does it necessarily apply to all products in a category. You may need additional product-specific information, or information from other sources to help make personal or professional decisions.

Mercury	Triclosan	m- and o- Phenylenediamines	Lead
PreservativeSkin-lightening agent	Preservative	Helps achieve desired color in hair dyes	Impurity or contaminant
Toxic to the brain and nervous system. Can damage kidneys and liver. Can cause skin allergies.	Can disrupt hormones, cause harm to child development, and create antibiotic resistance. Toxic to aquatic life.	Can cause cancer, organ toxicity, and skin allergies. Toxic to aquatic life.	Can cause cancer, reproductive harm, and harm to child brain development. Toxic to aquatic life.
Skin-lightening products, blemish or dark spot remover, eye-area cosmetics.	Skincare products, fragrance, makeup, hair products, and hair removal products.	Hair dyes	Eye shadow, eye liner, blush, lipstick, clay masks.

Reduce your **exposure** to **toxic chemicals** in cosmetics.



Buy cosmetics in Washington State. The Toxic-Free Cosmetics Act (TFCA) stops many harmful chemicals from being used in cosmetics sold or distributed in Washington.

Look for third-party certifications, like Cradle-to-Cradle or EPA Safer Choice. A certification means an expert has reviewed the ingredients.

Ask retailers and stylists about safer, TFCA-compliant products.

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