

Botox/Dysport Instructions

Usage

Botox injections are used for the improvement of fine lines and wrinkles caused by aging, heredity, gravity, sun damage, and muscle action.

Risk and Complications

Side effects experienced by patients who have had Botox injections include: headache, bruising, pain during injections, asymmetry (one side different than the other), twitching, numbness and temporary drooping of eyelids or eyebrows.

Pregnancy

Patients who think they may be or are pregnant should not have Botox injections.

Drug Interactions

Patients who are taking amino glycoside, antibiotics, penicillamine, quinine, and calcium channel blockers should speak with their M.D. prior to Botox injection.

Treatment

An injection of a very small amount of Botox into the specific muscle causes weakness and paralysis of that muscle. This results in the relaxation of the muscle and improvement of the lines that the muscle action has formed.

This response usually is seen 2-6 days after injection. Typically, the muscle action will return in 3-5 months and a repeat treatment can be done.

Post-operative Care

- Stay erect; do not lie down for at least 4 hours.
- Do not massage the area.
- During the next hour, squint and raise the eyebrow area as much as possible.