

BOTOX

WHAT IS BOTOX?

- ≡ A dramatically effective concept in treating facial wrinkles in the forehead, between the eyes and in the “crow’s feet” areas (upper third of face).
- ≡ Also, used for smokers’ lines around the mouth and neckbands.
- ≡ Botox is also capable of treating facial and eye asymmetry. It can also be used for elevation of the eyebrow.
- ≡ Approved by the FDA, Botulinum toxin, or Botox works by weakening the muscles of facial expressions. Once the resting tone of the treated muscles is weakened, the pull of the muscles relaxes, and overlying skin flattens

HOW LONG DOES IT LAST?

- ≡ This paralysis of the injected muscles is temporary, and re-injection occurs three months after.

HOW IS IT USED?

- ≡ Botox is freshly prepared on the day of injection. Once prepared, the medication needs to be used within 12 hours as the potency diminishes with time.
- ≡ Very small amounts of Botox are injected into the muscles to be paralyzed using a very tiny needle. Discomfort is minimal and lasts only a few seconds.
- ≡ Botox has been used safely in the treatment of muscular facial spasms for over 15 years.

SIDE EFFECTS

- ≡ The most common side effect is pin point bruising at the site of the injections. Very rare and is easily to cover with makeup.
- ≡ If any Botox trickles down to other facial muscles, it can cause a slight weakening of those muscles. (This is the reason we request that there is no massaging of the injected areas for 12 hours following the injections and require that you do not participate in any strenuous activities 24 hours after the injections.)