



## NEUROTOXIN (BOTOX/DYSPOORT/XEOMIN)

### How it Works:

Wrinkles are caused by dynamic facial expressions. When a small amount of neurotoxin is injected into the muscle, it relaxes the muscle thereby improving the appearance of a wrinkle. Over time wrinkles can become present even at rest (without muscle activation). *Lines that are present at rest may not improve.*

### Risks:

Bruising/swelling/pain at the injection site, asymmetry, headache, double vision, inadequate response to treatment, diffusion into adjacent muscles (ex: drooping of the eyelids or crooked smile)

Please note that certain medications may potentiate the effects of neurotoxins (always keep your medications up to date with your provider)

### Results:

The effect of this medication is not reversible and will last 3 to 4 months on average. We recommend re-treatment every 3-4 months to maintain your results.

With repeated treatments you will see improvement in more stubborn lines and wrinkles. As your muscles will continue to weaken over time, you may gradually require less medication to get the same results. We will continue to assess your muscles at each subsequent appointment and adjust your dosing accordingly.

You may begin to see improvement in line and wrinkles in as soon as 4 to 5 days. However, it may take up to 2 full weeks for you to see the outcome of your treatment.

### Post Care:

Please do not rub treatment areas or lie flat for a period of 4 hours post your injections.

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