

# Botox in Dentistry: It Isn't Limited to Just Cosmetics Anymore

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- Botox is a well-known and popular solutions for various cosmetic needs.
- However, Botox injections could be used for the treatment of a number of orofacial conditions too.
- There are several benefits of using Botox injections in dentistry, but at the same time, it includes certain risks too which needs to be discussed with the patients before they embark on a Botox treatment.

# How does Botox Work?

- After Botox is injected into one's muscle, within a couple of hours, it attaches itself to the nerve endings which controls the muscle.
- Over the upcoming several days, [Botox Las Vegas](#) works to block transmission of the nerve signals which causes muscle contractions.
- It only affects nerves that are connected to the motor neurons, and doesn't affect the nerves that are connected to the sensory neurons – receptors that you need to feel touch, temperature, and pain.
- Botox continues to work and block the nerve signals for the next 3 to 4 months.

- As the toxin wears off, the signs and symptoms of the patient would return, and another dose may be administered, if so desired.



# Botox in Dentistry

- The use of Botox in the field of dentistry is getting increasingly popular.
- With increasing popularity, more studies and research are being conducted in order to investigate additional uses of Botox.
- Botox has been successfully used in the treatment of trismus, parafunctional clenching, extracapsular myogenic temporomandibular disorder, and headaches which accompany these conditions.
- Botox could be used in dentistry when it's a part of a comprehensive dental treatment plan within the scope of dental practice, and not as any stand-alone procedure.

- The [best Dentist in Las Vegas](#) or the dental professional need to have received the appropriate training and education before they can administer Botox.
- A dentist may be well-trained and eligible to conduct [dental implants Las Vegas](#), but may not be eligible to administer or use Botox in their office.



- Regulations regarding Botox for dentists and other types of dental professionals vary across different states.
- It is critical that dentists check with their respective state licensing boards for laws and regulation which govern whether or not, and if so, then how, they could use Botox in their dental office.

## Side-Effects of Botox

- For Botox, the food & drug administration offers a warning based on effects that it could have when its allowed to accidentally spread throughout the body.
- If the toxin spreads systemically, it could cause muscle weakness, dangerous breathing, swallowing difficulties, and urinary incontinence.
- Over time, it is also possible for a person to develop resistance to Botox when they have had repeated high doses of the toxin.
- In such cases, a different form of Botox might be needed to achieve similar results.
- It is highly important that these benefits, risks, and side effects of Botox is explained to the patients prior to any treatment involving Botox.



- It would be best to have signed treatment plan along with an informed consent form, signed and dated before starting the treatment involving Botox.

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