

Wrinkles Relaxer Treatment

- Wrinkle relaxers are substances injected into muscles which weaken muscle contraction
- The effects on wrinkles are usually visible within 1 – 2 weeks, but often sooner; in some cases (usually older people), wrinkles in the skin are ingrained and require a longer period of muscle relaxation to soften; in these cases, dermal filler treatments can also assist
- Effects last 3-4 months, but this time can be quite variable as well; there is a more recent trend to do small doses of relaxant which will therefore not last as long
- A very small proportion of people can be resistant to wrinkle relaxants (antibodies to the substance)
- Side effects
 - Temporary swelling, redness, bruising, pain or headache
 - Ptosis (droopy eyelid) – temporary lasts ~4 weeks – from treatment of the frown or forehead – DO NOT massage after the treatment
 - Double vision – temporary – from treatments of the lower eyelid
 - Difficulty with speech, dribbling, whistling or asymmetrical smile (treatments around the mouth)
 - Difficulty swallowing (treatment of the neck)