

## Medicine & surgery

5 Complete the text with the correct forms of the words in the box.

cure    inject    needle    recover    reduce    remove    surgery    treat

Botulinum toxin (or Botox™) **1** \_\_\_\_\_ have been used in cosmetic procedures since 2002. They work by weakening or paralyzing certain facial muscles, which leads to the temporary **2** \_\_\_\_\_ of wrinkles. The big advantage of Botox is that no **3** \_\_\_\_\_ is needed and the **4** \_\_\_\_\_ time is minimal. On the negative side, users may experience loss of facial expression or feeling.

More recently, Botox has been approved for the **5** \_\_\_\_\_ of a number of health problems. For instance, it can alleviate chronic migraine headaches. The product is injected by ultra-fine **6** \_\_\_\_\_ into seven areas around the temples, forehead, neck and shoulders. Doctors believe that it works by preventing pain signals from reaching nerve endings. While it doesn't provide a permanent **7** \_\_\_\_\_, it can lead to a significant **8** \_\_\_\_\_ of symptoms such as nausea or vomiting.