

April 2009 - Don't sweat it. We can treat Hyperhidrosis.

What is Hyperhidrosis?

Hyperhidrosis is a disorder that affects about 3% of the population. It is defined as excessive sweating, more than is required for the body to maintain optimal temperature. Many sufferers are aware of how their daily lives are affected, personally, emotionally and in business.

What can be done?

Previously, most sufferers have either just learned to live with this embarrassing and uncomfortable disorder, or they have sought surgery. Although surgery can be successful for some, there are risks involved, as there are with all surgeries. Other options include using antiperspirants with high levels of aluminum chloride (eg. Drysol). These over the counter products are often not tolerated due to skin irritation.

Botox injections to the affected area is the newest answer to the problem. The Botox interrupts the signal from the nerve to the sweat gland to reduce the sweating in that area. Tiny needles are used so the discomfort is minimal in the underarm area and it takes only a few minutes. Dr. Wong is very gentle.

Botox is a purified protein. It is very safe and very effective. Clinical studies suggest that a reduction in sweating was 83% in 95% of participants, an incredible difference! The average treatment lasts about 7 months, while some (over 30%) have results that last well beyond a year. Results occur within a few days usually.

What is the cost?

The cost of the Botox medication used in the treatment of Hyperhidrosis may be covered by your private insurance. There is a physician injection fee of \$200 which is not covered by your insurance plan.

What do I do?

Call glow Medi Spa today at 416-920-9998 and book your complimentary consultation with Dr. Wong. Together, you will decide if this is the right treatment for you. Summer is on the way, so stop suffering. There is no need to be embarrassed any longer.