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Esthetic and therapeutic uses of dermal fillers and Botox in dentistry

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Esthetic dentistry has been revolutionizing over the last years especially when it comes to innovative non-invasive techniques such as home/office bleaching, veneers and use of dermal fillers and Botox. Now, many patients have well aligned and supported teeth post-treatment but improper surrounding soft tissues, and due to relapsed or unsatisfactory treatment outcomes to patients and dentists, esthetic dentistry has gone through many developmental stages including; thorough clinical examination to reach the correct diagnosis and the most appropriate non-invasive treatment strategy. Dentists have started considering facial areas in relation to esthetic dentistry as dentists are familiar in this area than any other healthcare practitioner. This presentation is about dental uses of Botox and dermal fillers that are becoming a very popular part of cosmetic dentistry known for their great ability in diminishing the signs of aging in the skin. Aside from using them for functional purposes, these two beauty treatments have also found their way in esthetic dentistry. In fact, they can help solve some of the most difficult and frustrating clinical situations dentists confront. Special emphasis will be directed on oral health issues that can be addressed by using Botox and dermal fillers including gummy smile, black triangle, angular cheilitis, and orthodontic relapse. Upon successful completion of this presentation, participants will be able to distinguish between normal anatomy and aging facial soft tissues, identify the various effects that can be exerted by such tissues in health and aged status, and the most appropriate management. And if you have ever had a patient tired of using gels for irritation of recurrent itch, red and crusting perioral lesion, you don't want to miss this review of appropriate patient approach.

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