

### **1. Are you a medically qualified practitioner?**

*In Malta only a licensed doctor is legally allowed to prescribe and administer botulinum toxin. Getting your injection done from Any other person means they are likely not insured and should things go wrong you are likely not covered.*

### **2. Show me the sealed box**

*Ask the practitioner to show you the sealed box of dermal filler. Medical grade filler should have a CE marking with lot batch and expiry. NEVER EVER accept an open syringe- it could cost you your life, if it is used and the previous person has an infection. Botox is a **powder** if you are shown a liquid solution, it is highly likely that you are using someone else's leftover, yes that does happen.*

### **3. What experience do you have?**

*Ask what experience and training the practitioner has. If it is a 2-day course and off we go set up, think very hard about proceeding.*

### **4. Who has prescribed this botox: why is the prescriber not administering it?**

*There needs to be a very specific reason why the prescriber is not administering your prescription. To our knowledge it remains illegal for a prescriber to issue a prescription without seeing the patient.*

### **5. Can you deal with the complications if things go wrong?**

*You need to ask yourself what happens in a worst case scenario, and if the person who is administering your injectable is able to deal with the complications if it arises. How are you able to contact the person? Will they be available? If they are not, then will they nominate an appropriate replacement in their absence?*