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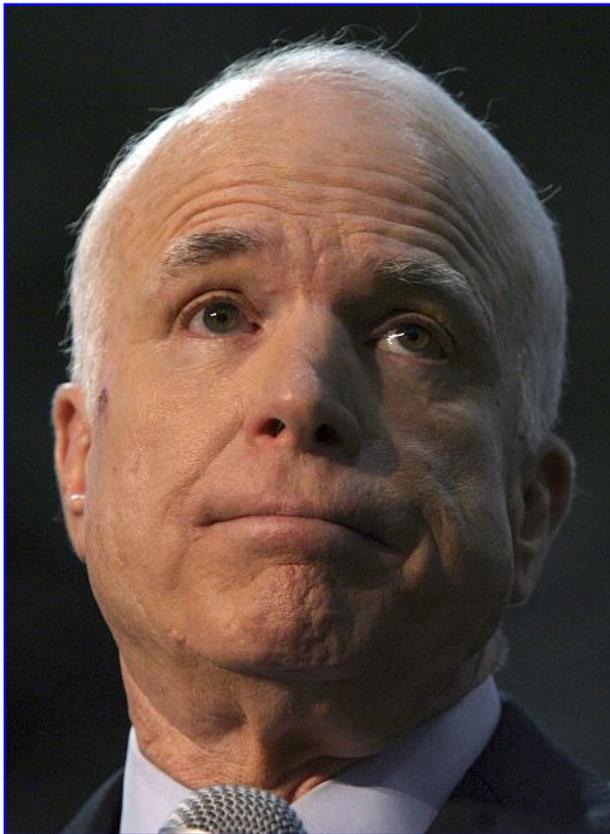


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Cosmetic docs tell how to fix John McCain's face
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Photos: Above and below, John McCain on the campaign trail this summer. ANALYZING THE CANDIDATE

Local cosmetic doctors have a plan for the Botoxification of Republican presidential candidate John McCain. They want to inject him with a modest amount of Botox or fillers, improving his looks but not jeopardizing his image as a 72-year-old war veteran seeking recognition as an elder statesman. That wouldn't transform him into a fresh-faced youngster, but many improvements could still be made, according to the plastic surgeons and dermatologists who responded to an invitation to tell what they would recommend to McCain if he were their patient. Several doctors proposed new treatments such as Botox to reduce his wrinkles, lasers to rejuvenate his skin, and injection of fillers to add volume to his face in areas that are sunken. One doctor believes McCain has already had eyelid surgery and laser skin treatments. They all noted the surgical scars from previous treatments for skin cancer. Dermatologist Renee Cobos of Fullerton was representative of the group of local experts, saying that McCain should use Botox in a way that maintains his "look of

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experience" but also makes him appear more relaxed, rested and approachable.

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To accomplish that, she says he should avoid Botox in his forehead, but use modest amounts to soften his crow's feet and the frown lines between his eyebrows. She said:

He raises his forehead quite a bit. That is a very characteristic facial expression for John McCain. This "elder statesman with experience" look is a subliminal but critical expression to the American people. It emphasizes that he is a very seasoned and extremely experienced leader and will be able to take on his new role as the President of this country with ease.

Because of the importance of that critical "look of experience" I would not recommend that he have Botox on his forehead area.

He also has a deep frown lines between his eyebrows. I would recommend softening, but not eliminating, the frown. ...

I would recommend that the crow's feet be softened with Botox. It will give him a very natural and significant softening of this area with the resultant appearance of being well rested and relaxed.

She would also favor skin-rejuvenating laser treatments:

I have treated many patients in their late 40's to late 80's with the Fraxel CO2 re:pair laser who have had excellent tightening of the entire face, eye and mouth area. They look at least 10-20 years younger than their chronological age after this procedure has been performed. I would definitely recommend this to John McCain to help give him a very natural tightening of the skin, eliminate the wrinkles and improve the texture of his skin.