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Vancouver woman credits Botox with helping curb smoking addiction

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VANCOUVER, Wash. -- A Vancouver woman says she's reduced her smoking habit by 75 percent with the help of Botox.

"My upper lip is paralyzed by the injections so I can't close my lips around a cigarette," explained Kelly Greenwood. "There's no pucker."

Greenwood received injections on each side of her upper lip in May at Peace Health Plastic Surgery.

"Kelly was smoking a pack and a half a day and told me she had tried everything with no success," said Dr. Allen Gabriel.

"I'm down to about 10 a month," said Kelly. "And that's quite an accomplishment for me. With cigarettes at nine dollars a pack, I'm saving so much money."

Dr. Gabriel considers Botox a stop-smoking option for those trying to get over the initial hump of quitting.

"It does require motivation. Kelly really wanted this and that's key in her success."

