

Procedure Information Sheet – Sacrocolpopexy

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Name :	
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Clinical diagnosis: vault prolapse

Indication for surgery: vault prolapse with bothersome symptoms / failed non-surgical treatment / patient's request / _____

1. Nature of operation

- 1.1. General anaesthesia
- 1.2. Abdominal incision
- 1.3. Peritoneal cavity entered
- 1.4. Vagina is freed from the bladder at the front and the rectum at the back
- 1.5. The top and the back of the vagina is attached to a ligament on the lower part of the sacral bone using a piece of synthetic mesh/tape
- 1.6. The mesh is covered by a layer of tissue called peritoneum that lines the abdominal cavity
- 1.7. All tissue removed will be sent to the Department of Pathology or disposed of as appropriate unless otherwise specified
- 1.8. Photographic and/or video images may be recorded during the operation for education/research purpose. Please inform our staff if you have any objection.
- 1.9. After operation, a Foley catheter is inserted to drain the bladder for a short period

2. Benefits of intended procedure

- 2.1. The prolapse will be reduced in over 90%
- 2.2. The discomfort associated with the prolapse will be alleviated

3. Risks and complications (may include, but are not limited to the followings)

- 3.1. Women who are obese, who have significant pathology, who have undergone previous surgery or who have pre-existing medical conditions must understand that the quoted risks for serious or frequent complications will be increased.
- 3.2. Anaesthetic complications
- 3.3. Serious:
 - 3.3.1. Excessive bleeding, may need blood transfusion
 - 3.3.2. Injury to adjacent organs including bowel or urinary tract (up to 8 in every 100, common)
 - 3.3.3. Deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism
 - 3.3.4. Development of new urinary symptoms like urinary incontinence (up to 9 in every 100, common) osteomyelitis (rare)
 - 3.3.5. Mesh erosion (up to 12 in every 100, very common)
 - 3.3.6. Recurrence of prolapse (up to 6 in every 100, common)
- 3.4. Frequent:
 - 3.4.1. Fever
 - 3.4.2. Postoperative pain
 - 3.4.3. Urinary tract infection
 - 3.4.4. Wound complications including infection and hernia
 - 3.4.5. Pain during sexual intercourse (up to 15 in every 100, common)

4. Risks of not having the procedure

- 4.1. Progression and deterioration of disease condition with increasing discomfort
- 4.2. Increasing disturbance to normal bowel and voiding function



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5. Possible alternatives to treat your problem

5.1. Observation if symptom tolerable

6. Other associated procedures (which may become necessary during the operation)

6.1. Blood transfusion

6.2. Surgery for treating co-existing stress incontinence

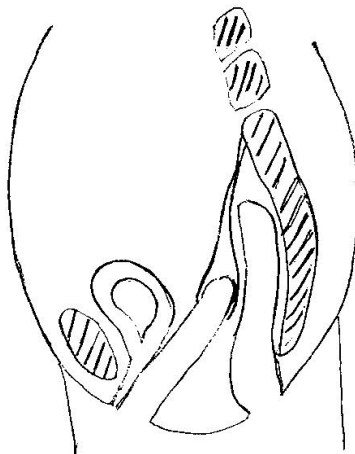
6.3. Surgery for treating prolapse involving other parts of the vagina

7. Special follow-up issue

7.1. Taking a shower after the operation is fine. You should avoid intercourse, swimming or taking a bath until examination by doctor after 6 weeks to confirm wound healing.

8. Statement of patient

8.1. Procedure(s) which should not be carried out without further discussion



I acknowledged the above information concerning the operation or procedure. I have also been given the opportunity to ask questions and received adequate explanations concerning the condition and treatment plan.

Patient/ Relative Signature: _____

Patient/ Relative Name: _____

Date: _____

