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PLASTIC AND RECONSTRUCTION SURGERY

**INFORMED CONSENT LABIA REDUCTION**

A labial reduction surgery involves excision of excess tissue of the Labia Minora. Risks of the procedure include (but are not limited) to:

**PATIENT INITIALS:**

**Infection:**

Infections of the healing incision lines may occur.  
This may require the use of oral or intravenous antibiotic therapy.  
Further surgery may be required to treat the infection.

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**Bleeding:**

Bleeding may occur soon after surgery.  
If significant bleeding occurs this may require a return to the operating room for control.

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**Scarring:**

Every patient heals differently and the ultimate scar, although usually not visible, may be wide or raised requiring further surgery.

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**Asymmetry:**

Every attempt is made to achieve as much symmetry as possible.  
However, further surgery may be necessary to improve the symmetry between the right and left sides.

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**Pain:**

This may occur if during the healing process, a nerve is caught in the scar tissue.  
This may also require further surgery.

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**Tightening of the vaginal opening:**

Every effort is made to prevent tightening of the vaginal opening, which may interfere with intercourse or vaginal child delivery. If this does occur further surgery may be necessary to correct this problem.

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**Loss of sensation to the vaginal or clitoris:**

Every attempt will be made to prevent disruption of the nerve supply to the vagina and clitoris, but this is a known risk of this procedure.

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