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Closed Reduction of Nasal Fracture

General Information

You may decide not to have this operation at all. Except in unusual circumstances, closed reduction of nasal fracture is appropriate when you have nasal deformity after nasal fracture. If you choose to have closed reduction of nasal fracture, it is important to understand that the nose will be straightened by gently forcing the broken bones back into place.

No closed reduction of nasal fracture is perfect, and there will be minor flaws. The goal is an overall improvement in the appearance and function of the nose. There is a 50% chance that the correction will be incomplete and you may ultimately need a rhinoplasty (nose job). The benefits of a straightened nose from successful surgery are significantly greater than the possibility of a complication noted below.

Alternative Methods of Treatment for Nasal Fracture include: doing nothing, or waiting 6-9 months and doing a rhinoplasty at that time.

Complications of Surgery in General:

As with all types of surgery, the possibility of other complications exists due to anesthesia, drug reactions or other factors which may involve other parts of the body, including a possibility of brain damage or even death. The likelihood of these complications is very low.

Specific Complications of Closed Reduction of Nasal Fracture:

Risks of closed reduction of nasal fracture include but are not limited to: incomplete correction of nasal deformity, asymmetry, nasal irregularity, palpable and/or visible bony, cartilage, or skin deformity, dissatisfaction of patient, bleeding (possibly severe), infection, septal perforation (hole in septum), infection in cartilage leading to collapse of external nose (saddle nose), continued septal deviation, continued nasal congestion, nasal valve collapse, loss or decrease of sense of smell, scarring and adhesions (scar from septal to lateral nasal wall), need for further procedures.