



Procedure Information – Suction Evacuation

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Introduction

Removal of uterine content through suction by accessing the uterine cavity through the cervix. The procedure is usually used to empty a pregnant uterus before 12 weeks of gestation.

Indications

1. Miscarriage
2. Abnormal fetus
3. Retained product of gestation

The Procedure

1. Priming of cervix (if required)
2. General anaesthesia
3. Dilatation of cervix
4. Suction tube inserted
5. Uterine content evacuated under negative pressure
6. All tissue removed will be sent to Pathology Department or disposed of as appropriate unless otherwise specified

Risk and Complication

There are always certain side effects and risks of complications of the procedure. Medical staff will take every preventive measure to reduce their likelihood.

Possible risks and complications (not all possible complications are listed)

1. Patients 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
2. Anaesthetic complications
3. Cervical tear
4. Incomplete evacuation or failure to complete the intended procedure, may require another operation
5. Bleeding, may require blood transfusion
6. Perforation of uterus with or without injury to adjacent organs, may require laparoscopy or laparotomy to inspect or repair
7. Pelvic infection
8. Intrauterine adhesion
9. Cervical incompetence
10. Increase in risk of 3rd stage complications in future pregnancy

Risk of not having the procedure

1. Vaginal bleeding
2. Abdominal pain
3. Pelvic infection

Pre-operative information

1. Your doctor will explain to you the reason, procedure and possible complications
2. You will need to sign a consent form before operation
3. Blood taking for blood typing and screening
4. No food or drink for 6 to 8 hours before operation
5. Pubic hair is shaved if necessary as instructed by your doctor



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Post-operative information

1. May experience some vaginal bleeding and mild abdominal cramps in the first 2 weeks after operation
2. Take medication as prescribed by your doctor
3. Contact your doctor or attend a hospital if you experience severe abdominal pain, purulent discharge, heavy vaginal bleeding, fever (body temperature above 38°C or 100°F), or other unusual symptoms
4. For contraception methods, please consult your doctor

Remarks

This is general information only and the list of complications is not exhaustive. Other unforeseen complications may occasionally occur. In special patient groups, the actual risk may be different. For further information please contact your doctor.

Reference

Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology - The University of Hong Kong
Hospital Authority – Smart Patient Website

I acknowledge that the above information concerning my operation/procedure has been explained to me by Dr. _____. I have also been given the opportunity to ask questions and receive adequate explanations concerning my condition and the doctor's treatment plan.

Patient / Relative Name

Signature

Relationship (if any)

Date