

SWISS PLASTIC SURGERY

EAR RESHAPING

Procedure: The aim of this procedure is to correct protruding or excessively large ears. This procedure is often carried out on children between age 4 and 14; in such cases the health insurance company will often pay the costs.

Duration of operation: Roughly 2 hours

Anaesthetics: With the exception of younger children, who are usually given a general anaesthetic, this procedure is usually carried out under local anaesthetic with or without additional intravenous sedatives.

Outpatient or inpatient: Normally this procedure can be carried out as an outpatient.

Possible side effects and complications: Pain, swelling, redness. Infection, numbness, bruising, scarring, artificial-looking ears, or ears that protrude too much or too little.

Healing: Normally patients can return to their normal routine after 1 week.

Strenuous physical activities, especially contact sports, should be refrained from for one to two months.

Results: Normally permanent and highly satisfactory.

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