

Lower Eyelid Surgery & Periorbital Rejuvenation

Lower eyelid surgery (blepharoplasty) is often performed as part of periorbital (or peri orbital) rejuvenation and aims to reduce under-eye bags, perceived puffiness, and skin laxity (looseness). Lower eyelid surgery combined with periorbital rejuvenation offers a comprehensive approach to refreshing the eye area, with results that can be both natural and long-lasting.

Potential Risks and Complications

Modern surgery is generally safe but does have the potential for risks and complications to occur.

Some general risks and complications of surgery may include:

- · Bruising and swelling
- Dry or irritated eyes
- Temporary blurred vision/light sensitivity
- · Discomfort, numbness, or tightness
- Scarring
- Difficulty closing the eyelids (lagophthalmos)
- · Lid malposition which may require corrective procedures
- Asymmetry

Specific risks and complications associated with lower eyelid surgery include:

- Bruising and swelling
- Pain and discomfort
- · Removal of too much skin, possibly exposing the cornea to injury
- · Asymmetry of the eyelids
- · Noticeable scarring of the incisions
- Itchiness, watering or dryness of the eyes
- Drooping of the lower eyelid which will usually recover but occasionally requires further surgery
- Temporary changes in vision. In rare cases, changes in vision may be long lasting or permanent
- In extremely rare cases, eyelid reduction surgery can lead to blindness. Smoking, pre-existing eye disease, straining, lifting and coughing can add to this risk.

Specific risks and complications associated with periorbital rejuvenation include:

- · Vascular compromise (blockage) which can result in skin necrosis or, very rarely, blindness if the filler blocks retinal vessels
- Vision loss/ocular pain/flashes may be due to vascular occlusion or nerve damage
- · Long-term lumps, nodules, or granuloma
- Scarring or pigmentation changes

Disclaimer: The above list is not exhaustive and other risks, complications, or outcomes may occur during or after your surgery. If you wish to discuss the potential risks and complications further, please do so at your patient consultation.

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