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Undescended Testicle



What is an undescended testicle?

A normal testicle is created in the back and descends into the scrotum before the baby is born. An undescended, hidden, migratory or hanging testicle that has failed to descend to its normal location in the scrotum is not rare and occurs in 1 in 25 male births.

What are the causes of undescended testicle?

There is no clear reason as most babies are healthy, but their incidence increases in premature babies and babies with poor weight or with a similar condition in the family.



How is an undescended testicle diagnosed?

By clinical examination by a capable doctor

It may be palpable or imperceptible (intra-abdominal)

No tests or x-rays are required for diagnosis.

What is the treatment for undescended testicle?

Most cases do not need surgery , as the testicle continues to descend completely into the scrotum in the first 3-6 months , but if it does not descend to the sac after 6 months of birth, which may occur in 1 in 100 children born in this condition, surgery must be performed to remove it and install it in the scrotum before the age of one year.



What happens if surgery is delayed?

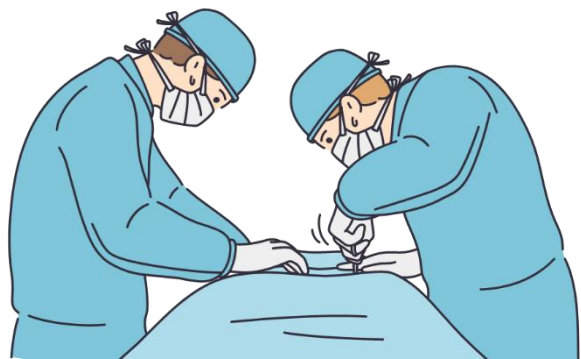
The function of male hormones and fertility is affected.

What are the types of suspensory testicular surgery?

Endoscopes in the case of an imperceptible testicle by clinical examination
Opening in the case of a testicle felt by clinical examination.

What is a bouncy testicle?

It is the testicle that moves upwards and does not settle in the scrotum for a long time, the observation needs to be **4-5 years old**, and if it does not descend, it is installed in the scrotum surgically.



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