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by George Forgan-Smith on September 19, 2011 in men's health

Hey there Guys,

Today I was reviewing the words guys type in to find this site and was interested to see there has been a lot of interest in my post about why men have foreskins. I have received a number of emails asking about foreskin restoration and thought that today might be a great chance to talk about how some men reverse circumcision.

For many Australian men, if you were born between 1940 and 1980 there is a high chance of being the owner of a circumcised penis with over 70% circumcision rate during this period. Currently Australian circumcision rates have dramatically dropped with only 10-20% of men being circumcised. Part of this drop has been due to changes in parental beliefs, however important medical bodies such as The Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP) have also released policy to help guide medical practitioners and parents on the decision of circumcision:



After reviewing the currently available evidence, the RACP believes that the frequency of diseases modifiable by circumcision, the level of protection offered by circumcision and the complication rates of circumcision do not warrant routine infant circumcision in Australia and New Zealand. However it is reasonable for parents to weigh the benefits and risks of circumcision and to make the decision whether or not to circumcise their sons.

As mentioned in my previous post on foreskin health, doctors are now coming to understand the role the foreskin plays in protection of the glans during normal day to day activity, enabling ease of movement and increased sensitivity of the penis during intercourse. This has lead to many men seeking ways to restore their foreskin and reverse circumcision.

What options are available for foreskin restoration?

Surgical Restoration:

Currently in the USA there are a handful of doctors offering a surgical option for those wishing to reverse circumcision. Using a variety of different flap and grafting techniques, they claim foreskins can be restored via a two step procedure. It is very involved, takes three months, is expensive and perhaps as the final nail in the coffin your testosterone has to be switched off with medications to prevent erections for three months. For full details you can read the website by Dr Harold Reed here. Please do not consider this link as an endorsement in any form, rather a chance to demonstrate the lengths some men will go for rapid foreskin restoration.

The medical group Doctors Against Circumcision stance on surgical foreskin restoration is:



Foreskin restoration may be done by surgical grafting of tissue from another part of the body² or it may be done by tissue expansion of residual penile skin.³ Surgical restoration has not proved to be satisfactory and DOC recommends surgical restoration be avoided.

We recommend stretching techniques, rather than surgery, which may include grafts. Stretching causes permanent tissue expansion gradually over time.

Stretching the skin of the penis shaft:



After circumcision there is a small area of residual foreskin from the edge of the head of the penis to the circumcision scar. This is fairly easy to identify by the change in colour of the skin after the scar. It is this section of skin that is aimed to be stretched.

Creating new skin is a long term project with many men having full coverage of the head of the penis in 24-30 months of stretching. This said there are some more aggressive foreskin stretchers who have had good results in shorter periods of time.

Foreskin stretching can be as simple as pulling the foreskin forward over the head of the penis and using tape to keep it in place right though to some interesting devices that are designed to offer tension across the residual foreskin to encourage foreskin stretching.

Depending on how much of this residual foreskin remains, there are many stratedgies to get started. The following sites contain good quality information and may be a great place to start:

Intactivism's page devoted to foreskin restoration New Foreskin The National Organisation of Restoring Men The Foreskin Restoration Forum

There are some key points to remember if you are keen to embark on reverse circumcision. Stretching can be effective, however it is a long term project. The key is gentle progression. Overly aggressive stretching of the penis skin can lead to damage and scar tissue formation which will not only slow progress but may also make it impossible to regain your foreskin. If at any point you notice redness, swelling, pain or bleeding stop and have review with your general practitioner.

Potential new treatments for circumcision reversal?

I found an interesting article from Intact News, an "intactivism" blog, where they discuss potential new techniques currently being used by plastic surgeons. Vincenzo Aiello the Italian founder of "Foregen" discusses the medical possibilities:



We have a great doctor here in Rome who regrew the vagina, Dr. Cinzia Marchese, who studied at Harvard, and she regrew the internal vagina of 27 women. As we know, the internal vagina is inner mucosal tissue, and that's what we need to regrow. There is also another Italian doctor who regrew the trachea, and it's also now possible to create any organ, with the proper investment, to have these in a few years, because the technology is already available.

While I think that this is an exciting new area in plastic surgery, I think it may be a long wait before this level of technology is available for the general public.

What results can men get from foreskin restoration?

Many guys happily report that circumcision reversal has helped increase sensitivity, allowed better movement of the penile shaft and increased comfort with intercourse. Dr Cool on the Foreskin Restoration Forum reports:



"Restoring in my case not only allowed the shaft skin to stretch over the glans when my penis is in a flaccid or erect state and to move over the shaft more easily. It also led to a longer inner mucosa remnant that clearly increased my ability to feel sexual pleasure."

While foreskin restoration is not quite as perfect as intact men, steady stretching can help restore the advantages of foreskin ownership.

If you have any questions, please feel free to leave a comment in the box below. I'm happy to do my best to get your answer to you asap. Of course some of these questions can be a bit personal so feel free to drop me an email if you would like to chat a little more privately.

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February 20, 2013 at 6:33 am

FUCK U,U GENITAL MUTILATING FUCKERS,U UNDERDEVELOPED PIECES OF SHIT!!!

Giles says:

October 30, 2012 at 10:52 pm

Thank you for the article. My own circumcision left me with too little skin and painful erections as a result. Pain was taken to a new level when I had a skin tear during sex. Indescribable!

Now partly restored the sex is better for me and my partner. Gliding action makes a difference.

DaddysGuy.com says:

October 2, 2011 at 12:36 am

omg no way!

Restoring Tally says:

September 23, 2011 at 1:03 pm

http://www.RestoringForeskin.org is a large community of men restoring their foreskin. Although non-surgical foreskin restoration takes years, the results are worth it. I now have whole body orgasms for the first time in my life. The foreskin protects the glans, allowing it to be as sensitive as it can be. Gone is the dry, calloused glans. Hello to the restored mucous membrane with its full sensitivity.

The foreskin also gives the gliding action, something I did not know about before I started restoring my foreskin. The gliding action makes sex and masturbation a bazillion times better.

Kezzcub says:

September 20, 2011 at 3:59 pm

Interesting. I like mine the way it is, I kinda wonder why people would choose to change but I guess discomfort would be the main reason for the transition back to coverage, but then again, as you mentioned it does possess a certain protective aspect to it to have an uncut willy. Good blog mate. =)

The Healthy Bear says:

September 19, 2011 at 12:20 am

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I must say this is a great article i enjoyed reading it keep the good work 🙂

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