

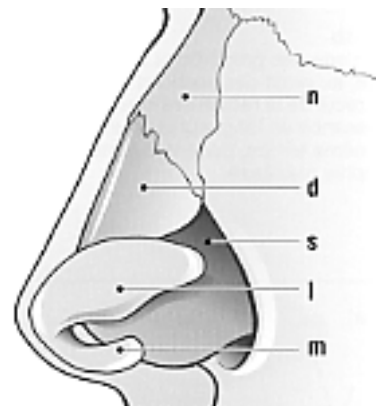
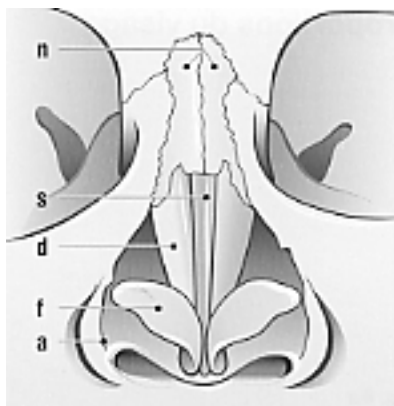
RHINOPLASTY



A rhinoplasty is the surgical procedure by which the surgeon can modify or correct the shape of the nose , after a trauma or for cosmetic reasons . the aim is to obtain a natural nose, in harmony with the other elements of the face, thus trying to keep the personality in the psychology of the patient.

The procedure must be done under general anesthesia after a long discussion with the surgeon.

There are several way to approach the nose but most of the time the scars are invisible and are hidden inside the nostrils . In some cases the rhinoplasty is performed through an external approach : this is the "open rhinoplasty" .In both cases the surgeon is working on the bones and on the numerous cartilages of the nose . The work is going to be done on tip of the nose , on the alar structures , or on the dorsum . It can correct the length or the width of the nose , or both . It also often corrects a deviation of the septum i.e. of the wall between the two nostrils. Those are most the time reduction rhinoplasties.



n: nasal bones, **s**: septum, **f**: alar cartilage, **l**: lateral crus, **m**: mesial crus , **d**: triangular cartilage

In some cases however cartilage grafts or bone grafts can be performed in order to reshape a nose or to give it a more natural aspect . this can be called an augmentation rhinoplasty. In this case the cartilage can be harvested in the conca of the ear or deep inside the nose .

At the end of the surgical procedure the surgeon put a plastic or plaster splint on the dorsum of the nose as well as two small pieces of vasetin gauze in the nostrils in order to ensure a good healing in the best position . All this must be kept for five to eight days .

The result is usually visible after one or two months but the nose can still change until one year.



Dorsum rhinoplasty - before and after



Dorsum and tip rhinoplasty - before and after.



Large nose rhinoplasty - before and after.



Augmentation rhinoplasty in a man - cartilage graft - before and after .