



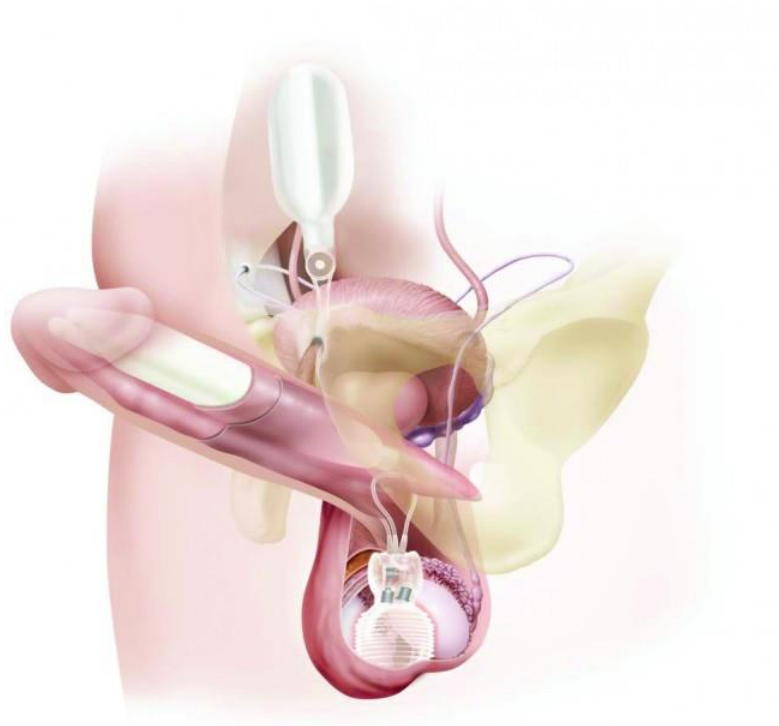
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Penile Implants

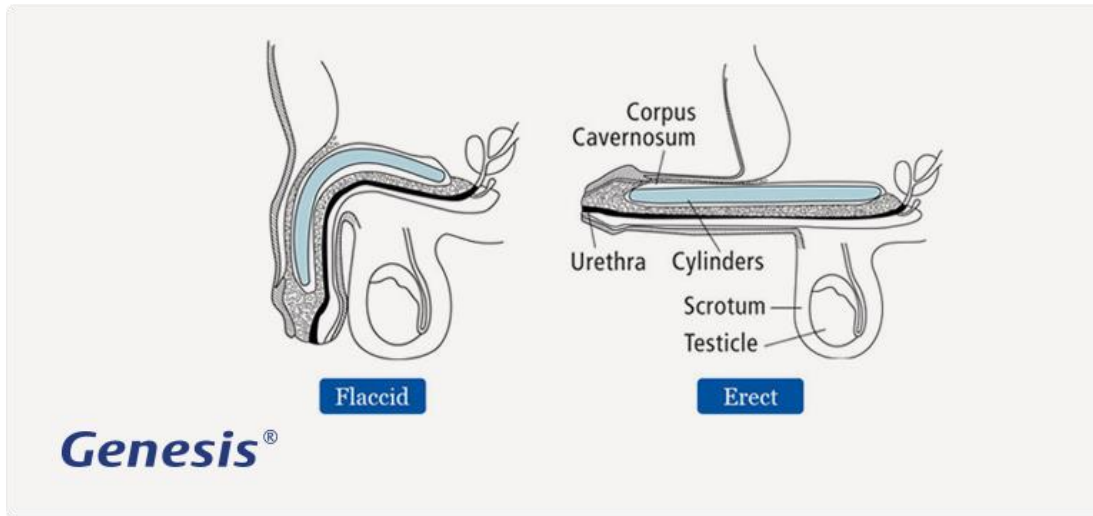
A penile implant is a device that is placed into a man's body and is designed to help him get an erection. Penile implants are covered by many insurance plans, which allows an erection as often as you like, for as long as you wish.

Two basic types of penile implants:

Inflatable Penile Implant:



Flexible Rod Penile Implant:



Both implant types enable men with erectile dysfunction to have a satisfactory erection for sexual intercourse and to experience the joys of sex again. You should be able to have an orgasm with a penile implant if you were able to have one before your surgery, unless you have another medical problem that affects it. Consult your physician about this. The primary difference between the two implant types is that flexible rod implants produce a permanently firm penis, while the inflatable implants produce a controlled, more natural erection.

Patient satisfaction rates

- 93.8% of patients were moderately or completely satisfied with their penile implant choice, far outpacing satisfaction levels for Viagra (51.6%) or injection therapy (40.9%).

Frequently asked questions

Will I lose any length after getting a penile implant?

- Each penile implant is custom fitted to your anatomy. Discuss this in greater detail with your physician.

Will I be able to have spontaneous erections with a penile implant?

- No. In order to place the implant in the body, the corpora containing the spongy tissue is removed to make room for the cylinders. If you are still able to have erections on your own, which are satisfactory for intercourse, you should consider very carefully whether or not an implant is the right fix for you. However, if you cannot have erections or if they are not satisfactory for intercourse, then an implant will be able to provide you with a more “instant” erection when compared to pills, or vacuum devices.

What is the recovery time?

- Each individual is different and therefore their recovery will be different as well. Typical recovery is between 4-6 weeks. Your physician will determine what you can and cannot do during this time. It is important to follow the recommendations that your physician gives to you to ensure the best outcome.

Is the cost of a penile implant covered by insurance?

- A penile implant is prescribed by your physician. Most insurance, including Medicare, cover the implant. Check with your physician's office to determine your actual cost.

Are there risks associated with the penile implant?

- As with any surgery, there are some risks associated with the penile implant procedure including pain, anaesthesia reactions, repeat surgery due to infections, or mechanical problems with the device. Discuss this in greater detail with your physician.

Will anyone notice that I have an implant?

- Since the implant is completely placed inside your body, no one will see the implant. In fact, no one will know unless you tell them.

Can I have an orgasm with a penile implant?

- You should be able to have an orgasm with a penile implant if you were able to have one before your procedure. Consult your physician about your expected outcome.