

# Vasectomy reversal

The procedure of a vasectomy reversal involves your Urologist re-joining the tubes that had previously been cut, allowing sperm to mix with semen and reach the penis once again to restore your fertility.

However, it is important to note that a vasectomy reversal procedure is not always straightforward and can be unsuccessful for several reasons:

- The epididymis has become blocked in preventing sperm from reaching the penis
- Scar tissue may block the re-joined vas deferens and prevent sperm from flowing through
- Your sperm may not return to normal shape or mobility
- Other complications may affect the quality of your sperm

## **We work with expert Urologists who are here to support you**

If you are considering a vasectomy reversal procedure, you should book a consultation to discuss treatment with a Urologist. They will discuss your needs and be able to advise you on what to expect, including the possibility of any complications, as well as any alternative methods for conceiving that you may wish to consider. The urology team will be very happy to discuss the alternatives with you and direct you to the appropriate service.

## Prices & payment

We offer a guide price of:

Vasectomy reversal  
£2,380

The guide price is based on the usual clinical needs of patients. For more information, please see our [terms and conditions](#).

## Personal medical loans

Payment to suit you with 0% and fixed rate interest options.

Following an appointment with your Consultant, you can apply for a loan to cover the cost of

your treatment. With interest free finance at Representative 0% APR (fixed) along with longer term fixed rate loans, there is an option for everyone.

## Consultants



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## FAQs

### What does a vasectomy reversal involve?

The vasectomy reversal procedure is performed under general anaesthetic and takes approximately 90 minutes. You may also have local anaesthetic injections to assist with post-operative pain.

Your Urologist will make one small incision about four centimetres long in the middle of your scrotum. Each testicle will be examined, and the vas tubes will be located, examined under a microscope and then scar tissue will be removed.

If the tubes contain fluid, they will be re-joined using dissolvable stitches. Your Consultant will be able to see if any sperm are present in the fluid from the tubes, identifying if the epididymis is blocked or not.

## Where will my surgery take place?

Regardless of where you had your initial consultation, all surgical procedures take place at KIMS Hospital in Maidstone. Most outpatient appointments, including follow up appointments with your Consultant, can take place at either KIMS Hospital or Sevenoaks Medical Centre.

## What is the recovery period?

After the operation you will require painkillers. Placing a covered cool pack against your scrotum will help reduce bruising. Snug and well-fitting underwear will help ease discomfort and swelling.

You should be able to go home on the same day; please ensure you have arranged for someone to collect you, settle you back home and remain with you for several hours.

Our nursing team will give you advice and you can call them if you have any major concerns. It is important to take it easy to start with. Resting for the first week really assists with swelling and recovery.

It is advisable not to do any exercise for at least a week. You should be able to return to work after a few days and do a little exercise after one to three weeks.

## How successful is a vasectomy reversal?

Success rates for vasectomy reversal vary depending on the type of vasectomy you had and how long ago you had it. The more time that has passed since your vasectomy, the lower your chances of a successful reversal.

Your Consultant will be able to discuss this in more detail at your initial consultation.

In order to test if the vasectomy reversal has been successful, you will need to have a semen sample tested for the presence of sperm.

**Please note that KIMS Hospital is not able to provide semen analysis for this procedure. However, we can make recommendations for specialist centres that offer this test. The typical cost is between £100 and £200.**