

A NEW FACESM: Facial Plastic Surgery
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CHIN AUGMENTATION

Patient Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Some people do not have complete development of the chin so that their chin recedes. This can occur alone or in combination with a nasal deformity. If a person has both a receding chin and a prominent nose, the receding chin might make the nose appear more prominent, even after a rhinoplasty has been accomplished. The procedure to correct the receding chin is called a chin augmentation.

A chin augmentation can be accomplished through an incision through the skin under the chin or through an incision in the lip inside the mouth. A pocket is dissected over the bone and a silicone prosthesis inserted. This procedure can be done under local or general anesthesia and as an inpatient or outpatient. It can be performed with or without nasal surgery.

Post-operatively, a bandage is worn for about one week and then the stitches are removed.

Complications of chin augmentation are not common. Infection can occur and this would necessitate the removal of the prosthesis. Infection is more common if the incision is made inside the mouth. The prosthesis could become displaced or shift position, but I have not experienced that problem.

The results of the chin augmentation are to bring the chin into harmony with the nose and the rest of the face and to produce a more pleasing profile.

The above instructions have been explained to me and I understand the contents.

Patient Signature _____ **Date** _____