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Nasal Reconstruction aka Rhinoplasty

Possible risks include (but are not limited to):

1. Bleeding, immediate or delayed (three-four weeks after surgery).
2. Infection despite post-operative antibiotics.
3. Septal perforation or hole in the septum. This could lead to crusting or recurrent bleeding, but in most people would not cause any significant discomfort. This uncommon problem is potentially correctable with additional surgery.
4. Anosmia (loss of smell); partial or complete.
5. Nasal airway obstruction; partial or complete
6. Changes in the external nasal appearance which do not meet your expectations. These may be repairable or non-repairable. Most unsatisfactory changes are amendable to revision surgery.
7. Numbness in the skin over the nose.
8. There can be some minor color changes in the nasal facial skin.
9. Need of small external columella incision.

I understand this surgery is elective (optional) and my alternatives include not having surgery. I have read the above information and all of my questions have been answered to my satisfaction

Patient, Parent, or Guardian

Date

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