

## Most men with erectile dysfunction are satisfied with penile prostheses

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Most men who receive penile prostheses are very satisfied with the implants, indicating that the intervention is a valid treatment for erectile dysfunction.

In a study of 47 men with <u>erectile dysfunction</u> who underwent surgery between 2003 and 2012, 79% reported that they were satisfied with the outcome. Satisfaction related to feeling positive emotions, self-esteem, confidence, and enhanced male identity and self- image, were reported 54 times. Improvement of sexual function related to achieving vaginal penetration, increase of sexual desire, sexual satisfaction, and improvement of erectile function was also reported 54 times. Relationship factors were reported 11 times and referred to relationship improvement and the possibility of giving pleasure to the partner. Improved urinary function was reported 3 times.

"Our results support the use of penile prostheses as a way to provide a variety of benefits for men with erectile dysfunction," said Dr. Ana Carvalheira, lead author of *The Journal of Sexual Medicine* study.

**More information:** Ana Carvalheira et al. Why Are Men Satisfied or Dissatisfied with Penile Implants? A Mixed Method Study on Satisfaction with Penile Prosthesis Implantation, *The Journal of Sexual Medicine* (2015). DOI: 10.1111/jsm.13054



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