

Facial Changes With Rhinoplasty

Becky, a patient of Dr. Clevens', is a 39-year old engineer who takes advantage of her independent lifestyle. Confident in her professional talent and proud of her fitness level, she felt self-conscious about her nose.

"Since 15 years of age, I have wanted to do something about the hump on my nose," she said. "I asked for a referral to a surgeon and both my family doctor and dermatologist recommended Dr. Ross Clevens of The Center for Facial Cosmetic Surgery in Merritt Island and Melbourne."

Ross A. Clevens, M.D., FACS is board certified by the American Board of Facial Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery. Dr. Clevens specializes in nasal and facial plastic surgery. A graduate of Yale, Harvard and Michigan, Dr. Clevens is Brevard's fellowship-trained and board-certified facial plastic surgeon.



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"No one facial feature affects your appearance as much as your nose," Dr. Clevens said. "A nose that is crooked has a hump or a bulbous tip detracts from other facial features."

Dr. Clevens offers computerized video imaging to visualize the look of cosmetic enhancements.

"I was impressed with the professionalism of the staff," Becky said. "Computer imaging helped me understand the projected results of surgery. Dr. Clevens listened carefully and explained what needed to be done."

Rhinoplasty can alter the size of the nose, change the shape of the tip or the bridge, narrow the nostrils, or change the angle between the nose and lip. It may correct a broken nose, or relieve breathing problems.

Explains Dr. Clevens: "Rhinoplasty alters a facial feature that the patient has wanted to do something about, often since childhood. Specific surgical techniques are used to improve the patient's breathing while refining the appearance of the nose."

Nasal surgery is performed on an outpatient basis at a fully accredited surgical center with board certified MD anesthesiologists located near Dr. Clevens' private office.

"Beneath the skin, the nose is made of bony skeleton and cartilage," Dr. Clevens says. "I meticulously sculpt the underlying cartilage and bone to the desired shape. Straightening a deviated (or twisted) nasal septum improves the patient's nasal breathing, helping a snoring or sinus problem."

"After the first 24 hours I did not need pain medication, and the minimal bruising under my eyes was easily covered with makeup," Becky said. "I went back to work one week after the surgery. I am so happy with Dr. Clevens, I went back for laser facial resurfacing to soften the superficial lines around my mouth and eyes. People tell me I look 10 years younger!"



Before and after photos reveal subtle changes achieved through rhinoplasty that bring balance and beauty to facial features.

Consult Ross A. Clevens, MD, FACS for your facial aesthetic concerns because he specializes only in the face, neck, and eyelids.

Dr. Clevens welcomes questions regarding this article or other plastic surgery topics. He has two office locations for the Center for Facial Cosmetic Surgery: 1344 S. Apollo Blvd., Suite 100, Melbourne and 255 N. Sykes Creek Parkway, Merritt Island. For further information or to schedule a cosmetic consultation, please call 321.951.3223 or toll-free 888.438.3223.

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