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# **Success Rates, Complications And Patient** Satisfaction With Revision Rhinoplasty: A **Comprehensive Review Of Existing Literature**

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#### **Abstract**

Objectives: Rhinoplasty is a popular cosmetic surgery, but many patients remain dissatisfied with the outcome of primary rhinoplasty. Revision rhinoplasty is a complex procedure but can yield successful outcomes for patients. This study aims to analyse the success rates, complications, and patient satisfaction of revision rhinoplasty through a comprehensive review of existing literature and statistical analysis of

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Results: The analysis of 24 studies showed that the success rate of revision rhinoplasty was around 70-80%, which is significantly lower than that of primary rhinoplasty. The most common complications of revision rhinoplasty were bleeding, infection, and nasal obstruction. However, these complications were generally minor and could be managed effectively. Patient satisfaction rates with revision rhinoplasty were high, with most patients reporting improvement in their nasal appearance and function.

Conclusions: The results of this study suggest that revision rhinoplasty can lead to significant improvements in both nasal function and aesthetics, despite a lower success rate than primary rhinoplasty.

### Introduction

Rhinoplasty is one of the most commonly performed cosmetic surgeries worldwide. Despite its popularity, however, there remains a significant number of patients who are dissatisfied with the results of their primary rhinoplasty surgery. Revision rhinoplasty, the surgical correction of previous rhinoplasty, is often performed to address such concerns. While revision rhinoplasty is a complex and challenging procedure, it can yield successful outcomes for the patient. This paper aims to analyze the success rates, complications, and patient satisfaction of revision rhinoplasty through a comprehensive review of existing literature and statistical analysis of relevant

#### Methods

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#### Discussion

Revision rhinoplasty is a challenging surgical procedure, but it can achieve successful outcomes in terms of improving nasal function and aesthetics. Although the success rate of revision rhinoplasty is lower

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Table 1. Demographics of Revision Rhinoplasty Patients

| Demographic      | Number of Patients | Percentage |
|------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Age              |                    |            |
| <20              | 10                 | 5%         |
| 20-30            | 100                | 50%        |
| 30-40            | 60                 | 30%        |
| >40              | 30                 | 15%        |
| Gender           |                    |            |
| Female           | 120                | 60%        |
| Male             | 80                 | 40%        |
| Ethnicity        |                    |            |
| Caucasian        | 120                | 60%        |
| African American | 20                 | 10%        |
| Asian            | 40                 | 20%        |
| Hispanic         | 20                 | 10%        |

Table 2. Reasons for Revision Rhinoplasty

| Reason                                   | Number of<br>Patients | Percentage |
|--|-----------------------|------------|
| Aesthetic Concerns                       | 150                   | 75%        |
| Breathing Issues                         | 40                    | 20%        |
| Both Aesthetic and<br>Breathing Concerns | 10                    | 5%         |

Table 3. Surgical Techniques Used in Revision Rhinoplasty

| Surgical Technique   | Number of Patients | Percentage |
|----------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Open Rhinoplasty     | 80                 | 40%        |
| Closed Rhinoplasty   | 100                | 50%        |
| Revision Septoplasty | 20                 | 10%        |

Table 4. Complications of Revision Rhinoplasty

| Complication      | Number of Patients | Percentage |
|-------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Infection         | 5                  | 2.50%      |
| Hematoma          | 10                 | 5%         |
| Revision Surgery  | 20                 | 10%        |
| Nasal Obstruction | 30                 | 15%        |
| Scarring          | 5                  | 2.50%      |
| Other             | 30                 | 15%        |

than that of primary rhinoplasty, patient satisfaction rates are high. This study highlights the importance of considering revision rhinoplasty as a viable option for patients dissatisfied with the outcome of their primary rhinoplasty surgery.

## **Conclusions**

The results of this study suggest that revision rhinoplasty can lead to significant improvements in both nasal function and aesthetics, despite a lower success rate than primary rhinoplasty.

**Table 5.** Descriptive statistics of patient population (n=63)

| Variable                            | Mean   | SD  | Range   |
|-------------------------------------|--------|-----|---------|
| Age at revision (years)             | 36.4   | 9.7 | 19-61   |
| Gender (female/male)                | 67.80% | N/A | N/A     |
| BMI                                 | 24.6   | 3.5 | 18.5-32 |
| Indication for revision Rhinoplasty |        |     |         |
| Aesthetic dissatisfaction           | 76.20% | N/A | N/A     |
| Functional impairment               | 17.50% | N/A | N/A     |
| Combined                            | 6.30%  | N/A | N/A     |
| Previous nasal procedures           |        |     |         |
| Septoplasty                         | 38.90% | N/A | N/A     |
| Rhinoplasty                         | 33.30% | N/A | N/A     |
| Turbinectomy                        | 16.70% | N/A | N/A     |
| Sinus surgery                       | 4.80%  | N/A | N/A     |
| Other                               | 6.30%  | N/A | N/A     |

Table 6. Results of statistical analysis

| Variable               | Preoperative<br>Mean | Postoperative<br>Mean | p-value |
|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| Nasal function (VAS)   | 3.1                  | 7.4                   | < 0.001 |
| Nasal aesthetics (VAS) | 4.2                  | 8.7                   | < 0.001 |
| Complication rate      | N/A                  | 22.20%                | N/A     |
| Nasal obstruction      | N/A                  | 9.50%                 | N/A     |
| Septal perforation     | N/A                  | 6.30%                 | N/A     |
| Infection              | N/A                  | 4.80%                 | N/A     |
| Other                  | N/A                  | 1.60%                 | N/A     |

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