

Hair Transplants

The Right Choice

What You Should Know and Why:

When it comes to hair loss, heredity is the primary cause. Hereditary loss or patterned hair loss occurs in both men and women regardless of popular misconceptions. Medical science now reports that genes causing baldness are passed down from both sides of the family. Generations can be skipped and random in terms of which siblings are affected by hair loss. Depending on the severity of hair loss the impact on the individual is both unique and personal. Medical Science has determined that every single hair follicle is genetically coded prior to birth. Each follicle is programmed to be sensitive to the male hormones which begin to appear during puberty – causing the follicle to wither and die in time or not to become sensitive to these hormones and continue to grow throughout the life of the person.

The Problem

Unfortunately once the process begins, it continues throughout a person's life unless preventative measures are taken. As hair follicles shrink over time, they become thinner and thinner failing to grow to the normal length as in years past. Eventually, in the process of balding the shrinking hair follicles stop producing any hair at all.

Each year consumers spend millions of dollars on shampoos and specialized treatments claiming to restore or slow the pattern of hair loss only to mislead and cause false expectations on the part of the user. The fact is only two medications are approved by the FDA for hair loss, Rogaine and Propecia. Both medications require daily use, are costly, and are limited to their desirable results.

The Solution

Hair restoration is the only proven method for restoring hair permanently. The medical process known as "hair restoration" involves transplanting hairs and follicles from one area of the head to another. Modern hair transplants have evolved over the years from scalp reduction procedures, hair plugs, strip grafts and hair pieces to a procedure known as micro-graft hair transplantation.

Micro-graft hair transplantation relies on the knowledge that hair in the scalp undergoes growth cycles. It also relies on the knowledge that hair taken from one area such as the back of the head will retain its growth cycle properties from that area despite being moved to another area. This phenomenon is termed "donor dominance." In practical terms it means that the hair on the back of the head is usually not lost even in men destined to have significant hair loss. Virtually all men and women possess lifelong hair follicles in concentrated areas at the back and sides of the head.

During the hair transplant procedure hair follicles are removed from the donor region and relocated. One at a time, individual grafts are precisely placed in the thinning and balding areas of the patient. This process is performed under magnification. No hair is discarded.

The procedure takes place as an outpatient in our plastic surgery center. The procedure is performed under local anesthesia using regional blocks and tumescent technique which provide complete comfort. The patient remains awake throughout the surgery, free to move around at certain times and able to watch DVDs during the surgery. The procedure typically is completed in four hours.

The Result

The ability to create truly great hair transplants requires not only experience, surgical skill, but artistry to create that great looking, undetectable hairline. Now without having to travel a great distance from Central Florida, those interested in improving their appearance and looking younger again can do so by simply contacting the Aesthetic Center for Cosmetic and Reconstructive Surgery. Your consultation and evaluation are free. A consultation will review your medical history, family history, and history of hair loss. After an examination you will be counseled whether you're a good candidate for micro graft transplantation or not. At this point, it's up to you to make the right choice. Dr. Ahumada is a board certified plastic surgeon and will answer all your questions.

For individuals struggling with hair loss, the good news is there's simply no reason to delay exploring the possibilities. Let Dr. Ahumada and the Aesthetic Center for Cosmetic and Reconstructive Surgery provide you with a real solution to your hair loss problem permanently. Whether you're 18 or 75 years of age you're a candidate for this outpatient procedure.

You never know but Hair Restoration by the Aesthetic Center might be one of the most important self improvement decisions you make in your adult life, both personally and professionally.

One thing for sure, family and friends will notice you in an intriguing way. You'll look younger and be happier but they'll be unable to detect the soft, natural, living hairlines that are virtually indistinguishable from the original hairlines on your head.