

## Find out more about Linx® Surgery

If you are considering Linx Surgery we would like you to be as well informed as possible.

How is the LINX® System Implanted?

The LINX® System is implanted around the oesophagus just above the stomach by using a standard laparoscopic approach. The procedure is substantially less complex and time-consuming than a formal fundoplication. It does not alter the anatomy in the way that fundoplication does and therefore results in less side effects. The device can also be removed if required. Patients are placed under general anaesthesia during the procedure, which generally lasts less than an hour and starts working immediately. Most patients go home the day of surgery, resume a normal diet straight away and are back to work and normal life after a few days.

Advantages of LINX® over conventional fundoplication:

## Risks and Benefits:

Although LINX® is a very safe procedure, it can be associated with few complications very similar to fundoplication. Majority of the complications are of minor nature such as wound infection, bleeding and shoulder tip pain from the laparoscopy. One can rarely encounter with difficulty swallowing specially when starting solid diet.

## Limitations:

Patients with following conditions may not be suitable for  $LINX^{\scriptsize @}$  procedure.

- 1. Chronic backache who may require MRI scan
- 2. Large hiatus hernia >3cm
- 3. Barretts oesophagitis

We're here to help with any questions you have about any of the procedures we offer.

To find out more about Nu-life Surgery please either:

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- Fill out our general enquiry form
- Make a consultation enquiry