



The National Breast Implant Registry

In collaboration with the FDA and breast implant device manufacturers, The Plastic Surgery Foundation (PSF) has developed a National Breast Implant Registry (NBIR) for the purpose of strengthening the post-marketing surveillance infrastructure for current and future breast implant devices in the United States. The NBIR is a database that collects information on breast implant procedures and devices. Collecting this information will allow the NBIR, plastic surgeons, and breast implant manufacturers identify trends and other helpful information that can be used to improve the safety of breast implants for you and future patients.

The information collected in the NBIR is used to improve the quality of care for all patients who undergo a breast implant procedure. Information from the NBIR can be analyzed to find trends in breast implant procedures, as well as identify potential complications that occur. This will directly benefit you in the event that new information related to your breast implant is obtained.

The information from the NBIR could also be used for research purposes. The PSF can use the information collected by the NBIR to study trends related to all breast implant procedures. Physicians who participate in the NBIR can study the information entered about their practice to learn more about their patients and common procedures and complications. Physicians can also use the information in the NBIR to compare themselves to other plastic surgeons. Breast implant manufacturers can use the information collected in the NBIR to further study the safety of their products after they have been made available to patients. The NBIR will also be used for Device Tracking purposes. Breast implant manufacturers are required to keep track of all of their breast implants that are on the market to identify who has what implant, so in the case of a recall a specific patient can be notified.

Following your implant procedure, your information will be entered into the NBIR. If you decide that do not wish to participate in the NBIR, please notify your physician or the NBIR Staff (Research@plasticsurgery.org) as soon as possible. You will be able to discontinue future registry participation.



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