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REVIEW

Transurethral incision of the prostate and bladder neck

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Transurethral incision of the prostate (TUIP) is compared to transurethral resection of the prostate (TURP) by reviewing nonrandomized, matched, and randomized studies. These studies indicate that incision of the prostate and bladder neck relieves outflow urinary obstruction, as does TURP. The incision is relatively easier to learn and perform, and requires shorter operative time compared to TURP. The incidence of retrograde ejaculation is lower after incision than after TURP--16% versus 63%, on average. Transurethral incision of the prostate has a potential for reduced costs due to reduced operative time, shortened hospital stay, and the potential for local anesthesia.

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