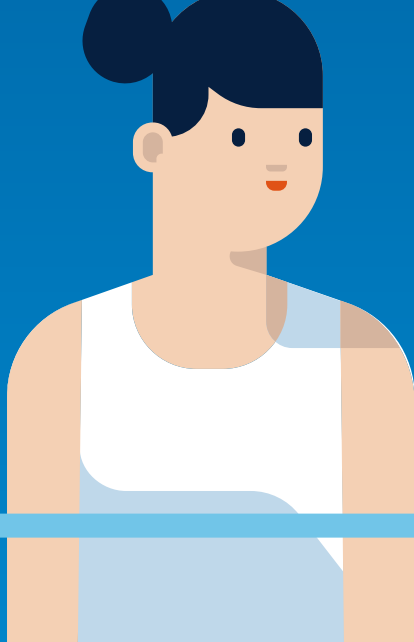


A less invasive choice for ventral hernia repair ...

IN PURSUIT OF A BETTER PATIENT EXPERIENCE.

Let's look at two patient experiences. One has minimally invasive surgery (MIS) — also called laparoscopic surgery — to repair a ventral hernia. The other has traditional open surgery.

LAPAROSCOPIC/MIS HERNIA REPAIR

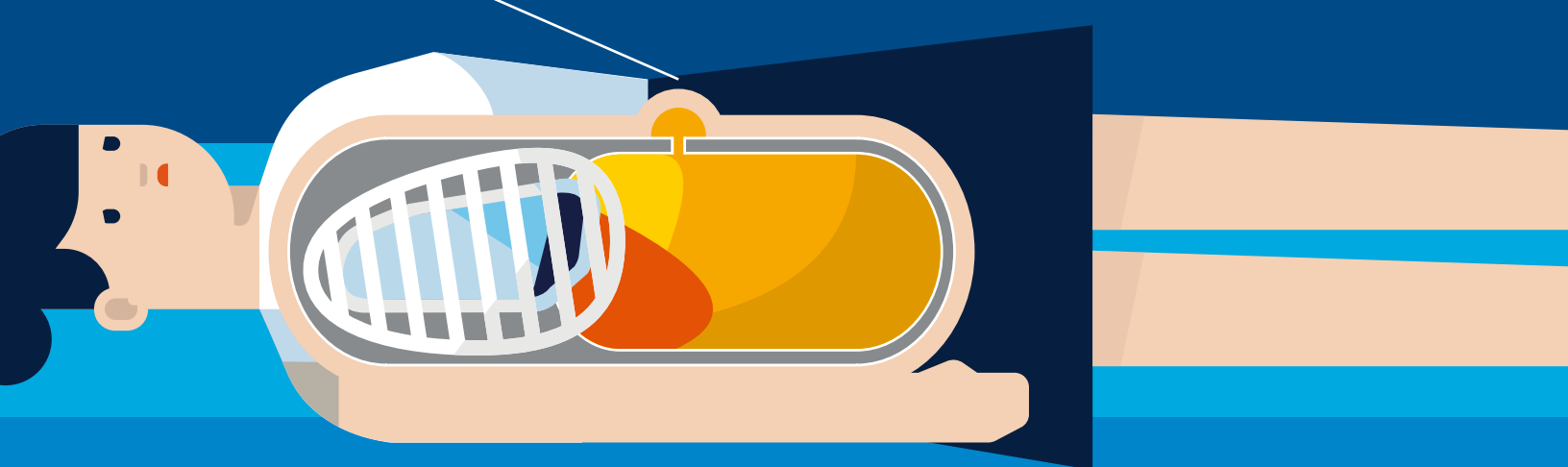


OPEN HERNIA REPAIR



WHAT IS A VENTRAL HERNIA?

LOCATION:



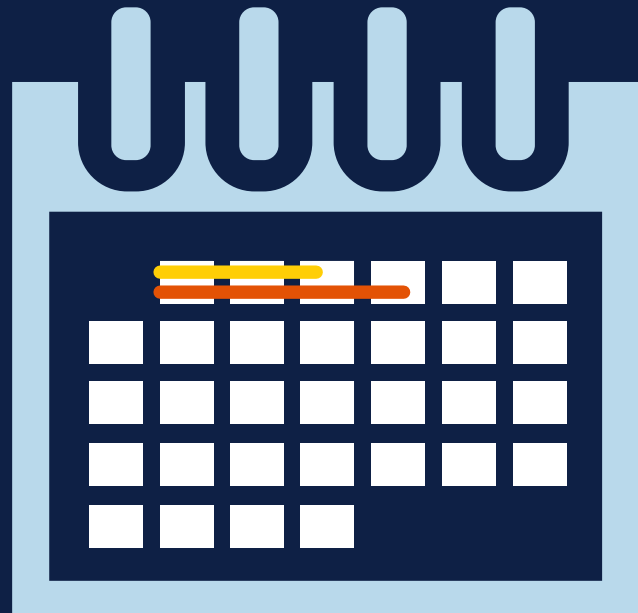
AVERAGE LENGTH OF HOSPITAL STAY¹⁻⁶

2.4 DAYS

for the MIS patient

3.6 DAYS

for the open patient



BLOOD LOSS⁷⁻⁹

32 mL for the MIS patient

92 mL for the open patient

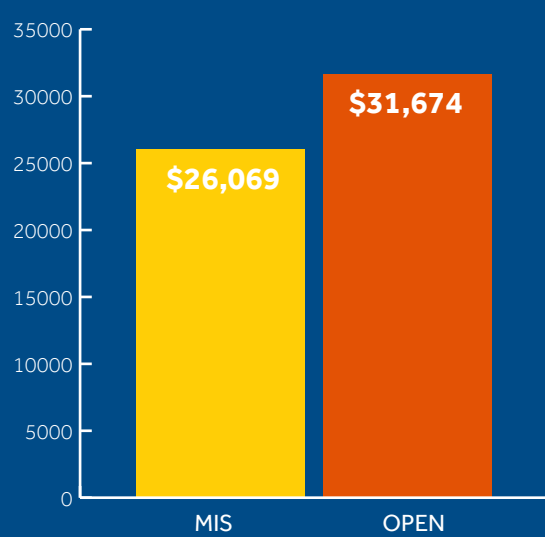


RATE OF INFECTION AT THE SURGICAL SITE^{1,4,8,10-15}

2.3% for an MIS procedure

11% for an open procedure

AVERAGE HOSPITAL COST^{2,3,16}



That means the MIS patient can expect:

LESS TIME IN THE HOSPITAL¹⁻⁶

LESS BLOOD LOSS⁷⁻⁹

LESS RISK OF INFECTION^{1,4,8,10-15}

LOWER TOTAL HOSPITAL COSTS^{2,3,16}

Which experience would you choose?

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