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Penis Disorders

Also called: Penile disorders

Problems with the penis can cause pain and affect a man's sexual function and fertility. Penis disorders include:

- Erectile dysfunction [<https://medlineplus.gov/erectiledysfunction.html>] - inability to get or keep an erection
- Priapism - a painful erection that does not go away
- Peyronie's disease - bending of the penis during an erection due to a hard lump called a plaque
- Balanitis - inflammation of the skin covering the head of the penis, most often in men and boys who have not been circumcised
- Penile cancer - a rare form of cancer, highly curable when caught early

Start Here

- Penis Health: Identify and Prevent Problems [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/mens-health/in-depth/penis-health/art-20046175?p=1>] (Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research)
Also in Spanish [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/es/healthy-lifestyle/mens-health/in-depth/penis-health/art-20046175?p=1>]

Diagnosis and Tests

- Genital Problems in Men [<https://familydoctor.org/symptom/genital-problems-men/?adfree=true>] (American Academy of Family Physicians)
Also in Spanish [<https://es.familydoctor.org/sintoma/problemas-de-los-genitales-en-los-hombres/?adfree=true>]
- Stages of Penile Cancer [https://www.cancer.gov/types/penile/patient/penile-treatment-pdq#_24]
 (National Cancer Institute)
Also in Spanish [https://www.cancer.gov/espanol/tipos/pene/paciente/tratamiento-pene-pdq#_24]
- Tests for Penile Cancer [<https://www.cancer.org/cancer/types/penile-cancer/detection-diagnosis-staging/how-diagnosed.html>] (American Cancer Society)

Prevention and Risk Factors

- Can Penile Cancer Be Prevented? [<https://www.cancer.org/cancer/types/penile-cancer/causes-risks-prevention/prevention.html>] (American Cancer Society)
- Risk Factors for Penile Cancer [<https://www.cancer.org/cancer/types/penile-cancer/causes-risks-prevention/risk-factors.html>] (American Cancer Society)

Treatments and Therapies

- Drugs Approved for Penile Cancer [<https://www.cancer.gov/about-cancer/treatment/drugs/penile>]
 (National Cancer Institute)
- Treatment Option Overview (Penile Cancer) [https://www.cancer.gov/types/penile/patient/penile-treatment-pdq#_48]
 (National Cancer Institute)
Also in Spanish [https://www.cancer.gov/espanol/tipos/pene/paciente/tratamiento-pene-pdq#_48]

Living With

- Living as a Penile Cancer Survivor [<https://www.cancer.org/cancer/types/penile-cancer/after-treatment/follow-up.html>] (American Cancer Society)

Related Issues

- Penis-Enlargement Products: Do They Work? [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/sexual-health/in-depth/penis/art-20045363?p=1>] (Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research)
Also in Spanish [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/es/healthy-lifestyle/sexual-health/in-depth/penis/art-20045363?p=1>]

Specifics

- Bent Penis [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/symptoms/bent-penis/basics/definition/SYM-20050628?p=1>] (Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research)
Also in Spanish [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/es/symptoms/bent-penis/basics/definition/sym-20050628?p=1>]
- Differences in Sexual Development [<https://www.endocrine.org/patient-engagement/endocrine-library/differences-in-sexual-development>] (Endocrine Society)
- General Information About Penile Cancer [https://www.cancer.gov/types/penile/patient/penile-treatment-pdq#_1]  (National Cancer Institute)
Also in Spanish [https://www.cancer.gov/espanol/tipos/pene/paciente/tratamiento-pene-pdq#_1]
- Hypospadias [<https://www.cdc.gov/birth-defects/about/hypospadias.html>] (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)
Also in Spanish [<https://www.cdc.gov/birth-defects/es/about/hipospadias.html>]
- Inflammation of the Penis [<https://www.merckmanuals.com/home/men-s-health-issues/penile-and-testicular-disorders/inflammation-of-the-penis>] (Merck & Co., Inc.)
Also in Spanish [<https://www.merckmanuals.com/es-us/hogar/salud-masculina/trastornos-del-pene-y-de-los-test%C3%ADculos/inflamaci%C3%B3n-del-pene>]
- Is It Possible to "Break" Your Penis? [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/sexual-health/expert-answers/penis-fracture/faq-20058154?p=1>] (Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research)
Also in Spanish [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/es/healthy-lifestyle/sexual-health/expert-answers/penis-fracture/faq-20058154?p=1>]
- Penile Curvature (Peyronie's Disease) [<https://www.niddk.nih.gov/health-information/urologic-diseases/penile-curvature-peyronies-disease>]  (National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases)
Also in Spanish [<https://www.niddk.nih.gov/health-information/informacion-de-la-salud/enfermedades-urologicas/curvatura-del-pene-enfermedad-peyronie>]
- Priapism (Prolonged Erection) [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/priapism/symptoms-causes/syc-20352005?p=1>] (Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research)
Also in Spanish [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/es/diseases-conditions/priapism/symptoms-causes/syc-20352005?p=1>]
- Yeast Infection in Men: How Can I Tell if I Have One? [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/mens-health/expert-answers/male-yeast-infection/faq-20058464?p=1>] (Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research)
Also in Spanish [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/es/male-yeast-infection/expert-answers/faq-20058464?p=1>]

Statistics and Research

- Key Statistics for Penile Cancer [<https://www.cancer.org/cancer/types/penile-cancer/about/key-statistics.html>] (American Cancer Society)

Clinical Trials

- ClinicalTrials.gov: Genital Diseases, Male [<https://clinicaltrials.gov/search?cond=%22Genital+Diseases,+Male%22&aggFilters=status:not%20rec>]  (National Institutes of Health)
- ClinicalTrials.gov: Penile Diseases [<https://clinicaltrials.gov/search?cond=%22Penile+Diseases%22&aggFilters=status:not%20rec>]  (National Institutes of Health)
- ClinicalTrials.gov: Penile Induration [<https://clinicaltrials.gov/search?cond=%22Penile+Induration%22&aggFilters=status:not%20rec>]  (National Institutes of Health)

Journal Articles

References and abstracts from MEDLINE/PubMed (National Library of Medicine)

- Article: Effectiveness of nanofat in treatment-refractory penile lichen sclerosus: results from a... [<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/40248963>]
- Article: New surgical approach for buried penis with partial release of the... [<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/39979158>]
- Article: Foreskin care: Hygiene, importance of counselling, and management of common complications. [<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/39965976>]
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Children

- Atypical Genitalia [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/atypical-genitalia/symptoms-causes/syc-20369273?p=1>] (Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research)
Also in Spanish [<https://www.mayoclinic.org/es/diseases-conditions/ambiguous-genitalia/symptoms-causes/syc-20369273?p=1>]
- For Boys: Trouble "Down There" [<https://kidshealth.org/en/kids/down-there.html>] (Nemours Foundation)
Also in Spanish [<https://kidshealth.org/es/kids/down-there.html>]
- Hypospadias repair - series [https://medlineplus.gov/ency/presentations/100126_1.htm] (Medical Encyclopedia)
Also in Spanish [https://medlineplus.gov/spanish/ency/esp_presentations/100126_1.htm]
- Penile Adhesions and Skin Bridges in Children [<https://www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/conditions/genitourinary-tract/Pages/penile-adhesions-and-skin-bridges-in-children.aspx>] (American Academy of Pediatrics)
Also in Spanish [<https://www.healthychildren.org/spanish/health-issues/conditions/genitourinary-tract/paginas/penile-adhesions-and-skin-bridges-in-children.aspx>]
- Penile Torsion [<https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/penile-torsion.html>] (Nemours Foundation)
Also in Spanish [<https://kidshealth.org/es/parents/penile-torsion.html>]

Teenagers

- Is My Penis Normal? (For Teens) [<https://kidshealth.org/en/teens/penis.html>] (Nemours Foundation)
Also in Spanish [<https://kidshealth.org/es/teens/penis.html>]
- Pearly Penile Papules [<https://youngmenshealthsite.org/guides/pearly-penile-papules/>] (Boston Children's Hospital)

Patient Handouts

- Balanitis [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/000862.htm>] (Medical Encyclopedia)
Also in Spanish [<https://medlineplus.gov/spanish/ency/article/000862.htm>]
- Curvature of the penis [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001278.htm>] (Medical Encyclopedia)
Also in Spanish [<https://medlineplus.gov/spanish/ency/article/001278.htm>]
- Epididymitis [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001279.htm>] (Medical Encyclopedia)
Also in Spanish [<https://medlineplus.gov/spanish/ency/article/001279.htm>]
- Epispadias [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001285.htm>] (Medical Encyclopedia)
Also in Spanish [<https://medlineplus.gov/spanish/ency/article/001285.htm>]
- Erythroplasia of Queyrat [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001300.htm>] (Medical Encyclopedia)
Also in Spanish [<https://medlineplus.gov/spanish/ency/article/001300.htm>]
- Hypospadias [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001286.htm>] (Medical Encyclopedia)
Also in Spanish [<https://medlineplus.gov/spanish/ency/article/001286.htm>]

- Hypospadias repair [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/003000.htm>] (Medical Encyclopedia)
Also in Spanish [<https://medlineplus.gov/spanish/ency/article/003000.htm>]
- Hypospadias repair - discharge [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/patientinstructions/000158.htm>] (Medical Encyclopedia)
Also in Spanish [<https://medlineplus.gov/spanish/ency/patientinstructions/000158.htm>]
- Paraphimosis [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001281.htm>] (Medical Encyclopedia)
Also in Spanish [<https://medlineplus.gov/spanish/ency/article/001281.htm>]
- Penile cancer [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001276.htm>] (Medical Encyclopedia)
Also in Spanish [<https://medlineplus.gov/spanish/ency/article/001276.htm>]
- Penis pain [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/003166.htm>] (Medical Encyclopedia)
Also in Spanish [<https://medlineplus.gov/spanish/ency/article/003166.htm>]



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- Epididymitis [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001279.htm>]
- Epispadias [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001285.htm>]
- Erythroplasia of Queyrat [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001300.htm>]
- Hypospadias [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001286.htm>]
- Hypospadias repair [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/003000.htm>]
- Hypospadias repair - discharge [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/patientinstructions/000158.htm>]
- Hypospadias repair - series [https://medlineplus.gov/ency/presentations/100126_1.htm]
- Paraphimosis [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001281.htm>]
- Penile cancer [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001276.htm>]
- Penis [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/002279.htm>]
- Penis care (uncircumcised) [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/001917.htm>]
- Penis pain [<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/003166.htm>]

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- Circumcision [<https://medlineplus.gov/circumcision.html>]
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Sexually Transmitted Infections [<https://medlineplus.gov/sexuallytransmittedinfections.html>]

Testicular Disorders [<https://medlineplus.gov/testiculardisorders.html>]

National Institutes of Health

The primary NIH organization for research on *Penis Disorders* is the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases [<https://www.niddk.nih.gov>]

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