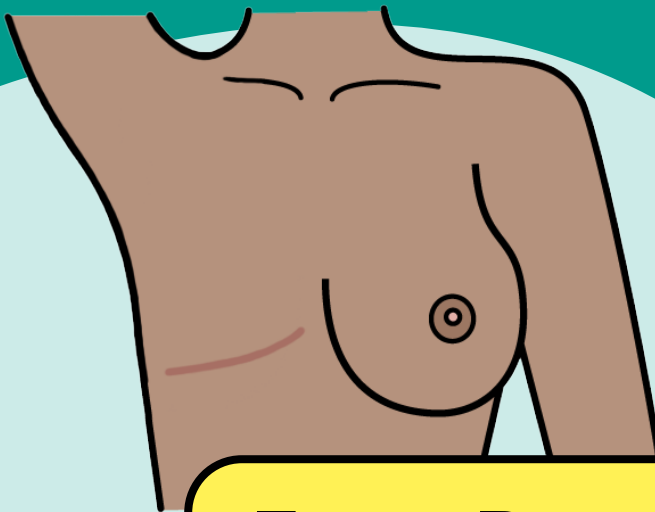


Mastectomy

Information for patients



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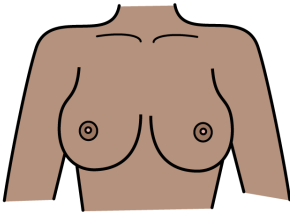
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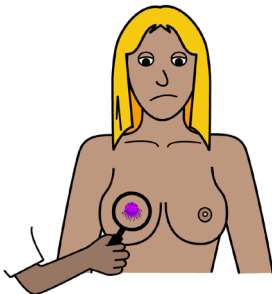
breasts



A lump has been found in your breast.

This is making your breast sick.

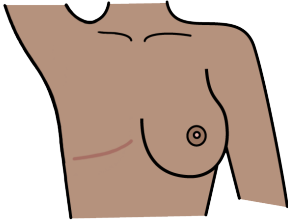
Breast cancer



This lump is cancer.

It might make you very sick if it is not removed.

Mastectomy



The doctor will remove your breast, this is called a mastectomy.

They will also remove some of the nodes under your armpit. This is to see if the cancer has spread out of your breast.

Hospital



You will need to come into hospital.

You can bring somebody with you to support you.

Anesthetic



You will have a general anesthetic.

We have an easy read leaflet about having an anaesthetic.

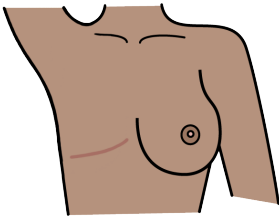
surgeon



You will go into the operating theatre to have your breast removed.

You will not feel this.

Mastectomy



When you wake up your chest will look and feel different.

It might hurt.

prescription



You will have medication to take after to help.

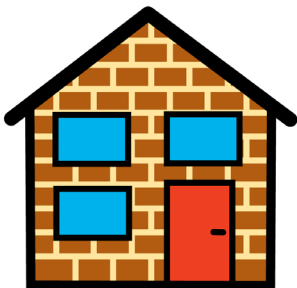
**stretch
overhead**



doctor



home



You will have some exercises to do at home.

This will help you recover.

The doctor will check on you regularly.

And let you know when you are ready to go home.

next step



You may need more treatment or to come back to see the doctors again.

explain



This will all be explained to you.

easy read



We have other easy read leaflets available to help you understand the next steps.



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