

Scar Revision

Scars may result from previous injury, infection or surgery. Some individuals are prone to unusually aggressive scarring known as hypertrophic or keloid scars.

Scar revisional surgery may be possible to improve conspicuous, embarrassing or uncomfortable scars which may restrict joint or facial movement.

THE PROCESS:

Scar improvement may occasionally be possible by using non-surgical techniques such as massage, LASER, topical silicone gel, steroid injections, fillers or fat grafting. In some cases however, surgical revision is required. This can sometimes be carried out under local anaesthetic.

There are many different techniques of scar revision including simple or serial excision, Z-plasties, resurfacing. The technique utilised will be tailored to the individual and the type of scar. This will be discussed fully during your consultation.

AFTERCARE:

Most skin procedures are likely to be carried out as day surgery. You will be discharged home with wound care / dressings advice, painkillers if necessary and a follow-up appointment with a specialist nurse who will check your wound and remove any sutures.

Later, you will be reviewed by your consultant surgeon to discuss the results of the surgery.