

**Pre and Post Operative Instructions
For
BAHA Surgery**

PreOP

Do not take aspirin or aspirin products such as Motrin, Vitamin E, Fish Oil, or multi vitamin supplements for 3 weeks prior to surgery. Tylenol may be used.

Do not eat or drink after midnight the night before surgery.

Do not use styling products in your hair the day before or the day of surgery.

Description of Surgery

The surgery is typically performed under IV sedation.

A small patch of hair may be shaved, and a 4-5 cm incision is typically made. A small skin punch is utilized in the middle portion of this wound.

Through this incision, the implant is placed into the bone of the skull.

PostOP

Do not plan to drive a car home from the hospital.

Do not perform strenuous activity, or lift objects heavier than 10 pounds for two weeks after surgery.

After surgery, you may require some pain medicine, and will need to take an antibiotic for about 1 week.

You will have a healing cap which will remain in place until your first postoperative visit.

After surgery, some swelling and puffiness at the incision site is normal. Keep your head elevated and sleep on several pillows to reduce swelling. If you notice progressive redness or swelling, any drainage, or your temperature is above 101 degrees, call our office.

You may shower 1 week postop. After the healing cap comes off, you should clean around the abutment.