**Risks of Lipoma Surgery**

If you have been diagnosed with lipomas, it is likely that the treatment suggestion was to have the growth surgically removed. Surgery is an option, and the growths can be removed in an outpatient procedure. But, before you agree to lipoma surgery, there are a few surgery risks that you need to be familiar with.

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Usually, the risks of lipoma surgery are minor, but in rare cases they may become a serious problem. Common risks of lipoma surgery include:

* **Recurrence:** Just because the growth is being removed doesn't mean that you won't experience additional growths. In fact, lipomas often grow in clusters so it is likely that additional lipomas may appear at some point in your life.
* **Infection:** Anytime the skin is cut, possible infection can occur at the incision location. Doctors take precautions to avoid infection, although sometimes an infection may still occur.
* **Fluid:** When the lipoma is removed, it leaves an open area underneath the skin. That area may fill with clear fluid while the body is trying to heal, and in some cases the fluid may need to be drained.
* **Scars:** Depending on the size of the incision and how the area heals, it is possible for scars to develop where the lipoma was located. Most people don't experience large scars from the small incision, but in some cases it is possible for the area to develop keloid scars.
* **Excessive Bleeding:** In rare cases, the lipoma may be in a location prone to bleeding. For example, lipomas on the scalp may cause more bleeding, because head incisions tend to bleed more than other areas of the body.

Instead of putting yourself at risk from lipoma surgery, you may consider trying natural treatments first. Many people experience good results with a diet and lifestyle change, and there are certain natural supplements that can be used in order to treat lipomas. Because lipomas are not cancerous, there is no harm in waiting to have the surgery in order to see if natural treatments will work for you. Trying a natural treatment may result in the savings of hundreds of dollars that it would have cost to have the surgery completed.