

Out-patient Surgical Procedures

Outpatient surgery is a same day admission and discharge with no overnight stay. Los Gatos Surgical Center and Silicon Valley Surgical Center are two outpatient facilities used by the physicians at Los Olivos Women's Medical Group. The procedures include:

Laparoscopy

Laparoscopic procedures are used to diagnose and treat conditions such as endometriosis, pelvic adhesions and some cases of tubal obstruction. Tubal pregnancy requiring surgery may be done with a laparoscope. Bilateral tubal ligations for sterilization are performed laparoscopically. Tubal microsurgery and tubal sterilization reversal are both performed laparoscopically.

Hysteroscopy

Operative hysteroscopy is used to remove endometrial polyps, submucous leiomyomas (myomectomy) and to open proximal tubal obstructions near the uterus. Hysteroscopic uterine ablations can be performed with a rollerball resectoscope or with the Novasure device.

Dilation and Curettage (D&C)

A D&C is performed to remove tissue from the lining of the uterus. It is usually performed for miscarriage, abnormal bleeding or to diagnose uterine cancer.

LEEP or Cone Biopsy

The LEEP can be performed in the office under local anesthesia or at the surgical center with a general anesthetic. It is indicated when high grade cervical dysplasia is present on the cervix.

Hymenectomy

Hymenectomy is performed to remove a tight band of tissue at the opening to the vaginal canal. Patients may complain of inability to use a tampon or have intercourse.