

Six Important Questions about Ear Corrections

During the course of our consultations, we have noticed that many patients ask the same questions regarding ear corrections. For your convenience, we have listed the six most frequently asked and important below. We hope you find the information useful.

1. Is the result long lasting? Does the procedure have to be repeated at any other stage of your life?

Performed with the correct techniques, the result is permanent.

2. Do visible scars remain?

With the techniques used in the Erich-Lexer-Clinic, only small scars remain behind the ear, thus they are completely concealed.

3. What is the earliest age at which an ear correction can be performed?

If there is considerable suffering, then we recommend an ear correction be carried out from the age of five. At that time the procedure acts as a 'psycho-prophylactic treatment'. The time around the age of five is suitable, because ear growth is nearly completed. However, the procedure can be performed at any later age.

4. When can one start wearing glasses again after the operation?

For one week after the operation, patients will have head bandages. For the following two weeks, they will have to wear a head-band. After this, approximately three weeks after the operation, glasses can be worn again.

5. Will it still be possible to wear earrings or to have ear piercings?

Of course, the patient can keep wearing ear decorations.

6. How can I best prepare for the operation?

The operation should be performed only if the patient desires it, and for their 'own reasons'. They should understand, that the aim of the procedure is 'normalization', and that 'over-correction', by pinning the ears too far back, would produce results that would look unnatural.

Otoplasty - at a glance

Length of procedure:

- Approx. 1,5 hours

Postoperative care:

- Head bandage for 1 week
- Head band for 3 weeks during sleep

Anesthesia:

- Local (adults)
- General (children)

In-patient stay:

- Outpatient