

Laser Prostatectomy Surgery

Laser technology has made significant advances in recent years and has become an established minimally invasive alternative to Trans Urethral Resection of the Prostrate (TURP). There are many different lasers available for endoscopic prostatectomy, but the most robust clinical data has emerged from trials using the Green Light laser.

The advantages of Green Light laser prostatectomy are reduced hospital stay (often day-only), reduced bleeding and a marked reduction in the frequency of retrograde ejaculation. Laser prostatectomy can be used safely in anti-coagulated patients and, given the large numbers of older patients on anti-coagulants, this is an enormous advantage. A reduction of catheterisation time is the norm and often the surgery can be performed without the need for a catheter at all.

Clinical trials also demonstrate that Green Light prostatectomy produces objective improvement in LUT (lower urinary tract) function equal to TURP. In addition, these improvements are durable in the longer term.

St Vincents Private Hospital is proud to be able to offer this service.

Your General Practitioner will need to refer you to Dr David Kerle (02 66 221 344) and Dr Charles Chabert (07 5598 0589) who conduct this exciting advance technology and service at St Vincents Private Hospital.

This is the first time that such 'cutting edge' prostatectomy facilities have been available outside major health centres in the capital cities.

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