



2. Common Risks and Complications
 - 2.1 Bleeding
 - 2.2 Infection
 - 2.3 Difficulty in opening the mouth
 - 2.4 Difficulty in chewing food on the affected side
 - 2.5 Regurgitation of food to the nasal cavity during feeding
 - 2.6 Nasal tone on speaking
 - 2.7 Crusting and increased discharge of the affected nose
 - 2.8 Cosmetic deformity around the nose
 - 2.9 Unsightly scar
 - 2.10 Loss of the hard palate and teeth
 - 2.11 Numbness of the mid-face
 - 2.12 Excessive tearing on the affected side
 - 2.13 Ectropion fo the low eyelid
3. Uncommon Risks with Serious Consequences
 - 3.1 Severe uncontrolled bleeding
 - 3.2 Airway obstruction causing suffocation
 - 3.3 Severe cosmetic deformity
 - 3.4 Double vision or loss of vision
 - 3.5 Necrosis of the skin of the mid-face
 - 3.6 Unable to open mouth
 - 3.7 Severe impairment of feeding requiring supplementary feeding via feeding tube
 - 3.8 Death due to serious surgical or anaesthetic complications
4. Consequences of No Treatment
 - 4.1 Progression of disease
 - 4.2 Bleeding from tumour
 - 4.3 Cosmetic deformity due to tumour growth
 - 4.4 Loss of vision due to tumour involvement of the eye

Alternative Treatment / Investigation

1. Radiotherapy
2. Chemotherapy
3. Palliative treatment
4. Local tumour debridement

Disclaimer

This leaflet only provides general information pertaining to this operation / procedure. While common risks and complications are described, the list is not exhaustive, and the degree of risk could also vary between patients. Please contact your doctor for detailed information and specific enquiry.

Reference

Smart patient website by Hospital Authority: Maxillectomy (2/2020)

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Patient's Signature: _____ Date: _____