

## Cold Knife Conization

### Technique

Procedure involves the removal of the portion of your cervix that is involved with the dysplasia (precancerous cells).

### Incisions

A small incision is made on the cervix (mouth of the womb).

### Operative Time

Operative times vary greatly depending on the findings at the time of the procedure. Your surgeon will proceed with safety as his/her first priority. Average times range from 15-30 minutes.

### Anesthesia

- Local anesthesia + IV sedation
- General anesthesia

### Preoperative Care

- Schedule your case immediately after your period.
- Nothing by mouth after midnight

### Hospital Stay

- Office procedure or
- Day surgery

### Postoperative Care

These guidelines are intended to give you a general idea of your postoperative course. Since every patient is unique and has a unique procedure, your recovery may differ.

- Anti-inflammatory pain medicine, such as ibuprofen, naproxen, etc., is usually required for the first several days.
- Driving is allowed on the day after your procedure.
- If they desire, patients may return to work on the day following the procedure.
- You may experience mild vaginal bleeding for several days after the procedure. As long as it is not associated with increasing pain or fever, it is nothing to worry about and will resolve.