

Hypospadias

FACTS:

- Hypospadias is a congenital birth defect that affects the urethral tube and the foreskin on a male's penis. As the fetus develops, the urethra does not grow to its complete length.
- The urethra opening may not occur at the tip of the penis but may be present on the underside of the penis.
- During fetal development the foreskin does not develop completely, which typically leaves extra foreskin on the top side of the penis and no foreskin on the underside.
- Hypospadias may occur in some newborn boys who have other congenital abnormalities, such as undescended testes or inguinal hernias.
- Common symptoms of hypospadias include abnormal appearance of foreskin and penis and abnormal direction of urine stream. The end of the penis may be curved downward.



Hypospadias is a very common birth defect in boys.



It is often diagnosed when a child's urine stream is different.



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TREATMENT:

- **Hypospadias can be repaired with surgery.**
- **If left untreated this condition may lead to messy urination, urinary tract infections and incontinence. It may also lead to sexual dysfunction and/or infertility later in life.**



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Following surgery boys live very healthy lives.