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**DESCRIPTION OF SURGICAL RISKS FOR
BONE ANCHORED HEARING AID (BAHA)**

Right Left

The following are possible complications and risks associated with these procedures. In addition, all surgical procedures incur the risks of anesthesia, bleeding, wound infections, cosmetic deformity, scars, and unforeseen/uncommon complications.

Loosening of the Prosthetic: This may require re-implantation of the BAHA.

Infection Around the Base of the Prosthetic: This is usually treated with local wound care and antibiotics. However, removal of the prosthetic with later re-implantation may be necessary.

Cerebrospinal Fluid (CSF) leak: A rare complication would include CSF leak from the site of the BAHA. This is usually treated with a pressure dressing, but catheter drainage of CSF may be required.

Bleeding: Occurs in less than 1% of these procedures but may require a pressure dressing or surgical management.

Anesthetic Complications: These are now rare with modern anesthetic techniques. You will meet your anesthesiologist the day of surgery. Please feel free to discuss the anesthetic technique, use of medications, and perioperative care with him/her.

My physician and his staff have made themselves available to answer my questions. I have read, understand, and carefully considered the risks and complications of this surgery, and I accept them.

Patient Signature: _____ Date: _____

Provider Signature: _____ ID#: _____ Date: _____ Military Time: _____