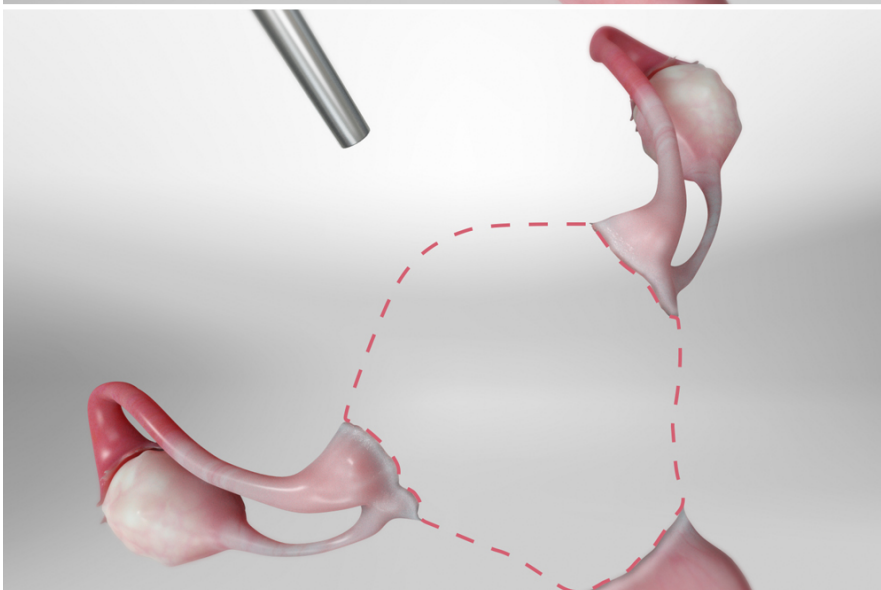




Laparoscopic Supracervical Hysterectomy (LSH)



Overview

This surgery takes out the upper part of your uterus. Your uterus is your womb. We leave the lower part of the uterus (called the "cervix"). This is the thick-walled tunnel that connects your uterus to your vagina. This surgery treats things like abnormal bleeding, pain and cancer.

Preparation

To begin, you lie on a surgical table. We give you medicine to put you to sleep. We make one or more small openings in your belly area. We inflate your insides with air. This gives us room to work.

Laparoscope

We'll do the surgery with the help of a device called a "laparoscope." It has a long, thin tube with a light and a camera at the end. It lets us see your insides on a monitor. We carefully guide the laparoscope into your belly so we can see your uterus. We put surgical tools through the other openings in your belly.

Removal

Now we free the uterus from the cervix and the surrounding structures. We take it out of your body through an opening in your belly.

Conclusion

When it's done, we watch you as you become awake and alert. Typically, you can go home the same day. Follow your care tips for a safe recovery.