

7 MOST EXPENSIVE PLASTIC SURGERY PROCEDURES

Always wanted a nose job? Hoping for a tummy tuck, but it's too expensive? If you win Friday night's Mega Millions, price won't be an issue when choosing from one of these procedures. We spoke to Dr. Elie Levine, a board-certified plastic surgeon and director of plastic surgery at Plastic Surgery and Dermatology NYC, who gave us the 411.



Traditional tummy tuck, \$7,000 to \$12,000

With a traditional tummy tuck, which has a high satisfaction rate, Levine said, doctors remove excess fat from the belly and waist, retighten the muscle layer and contour the waist line. The surgery takes about 2 to 3 hours, but beware of the pain level is high.

Recovery time: 2 to 3 weeks



Chin implant, \$3,000 to \$5,000

"Chin implants are great," Levine said. He explained that many people who think they need nose jobs actually just need a chin implant because their nose and chin are not proportional with one another. By adding a half-centimeter chin implant, your face can change drastically, he added.

Recovery time: 3 to 5 days



Rhinoplasty (nose job), \$6,000 to \$12,000

A nose job only takes about 3 to 5 hours, and you can fix any nasal problems you have while reshaping your nose. The idea behind a nose job is to make it look natural, Levine said.

Recovery time: 1 to 2 weeks



Liposuction, \$5,000 to \$13,000

The price of liposuction varies, depending on how many body parts you are applying it to obviously you can address multiple issues at once, Levine said. Surgery time for lipo is about 2 to 4 hours, again, depending on how much work you are having done.

Recovery time: About a week



Facial makeover, \$10,000 to \$20,000

A facial makeover addresses numerous facial issues at one time: a face and neck lift, endoscopic brow lift, upper and lower eyelids, and maybe a component of fat grafting, Levine said. The length of the procedure takes about 3 to 6 hours.

Recovery time: 2 weeks



Mommy makeover, \$15,000 to \$25,000

This procedure is generally done on women in their mid-30s to 50s who have had children, Levine said, and it takes care of the areas that have been affected by pregnancy. The surgery includes a tummy tuck, liposuction and breast work, which can mean a breast augmentation, breast lift or breast reduction - or a combo of two. The procedure takes 3 to 5 hours, but does not require hospitalization.

Recovery time: 1 to 4 weeks



Body lift, \$10,000 to \$25,000

A body lift is ideal for anyone who has undergone tremendous weight loss and is looking to get rid of excess skin, Levine said. The procedure includes a tummy tuck, a thigh lift and buttock augmentation. "It's life-changing," said Levine, who added he's removed up to 50 pounds of excess skin on a patient.

The surgery takes about 5 to 6 hours, and the patient will have to stay in the hospital for 1 to 2 days.

Recovery time: 2 to 6 weeks