



QUESTIONS TO ASK AT CONSULTATION

1 Is the doctor a plastic surgeon?

To be a plastic surgeon, the doctor must have completed a five-year residency program at an accredited University, specifically in the field of plastic surgery.

2 Is the doctor certified by The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada in Plastic Surgery?

A certified plastic surgeon must have successfully completed examinations set by The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons.

3 If the doctor performs cosmetic surgery in a private surgical clinic, does the doctor also have privileges to perform that same procedure in a public hospital?

In order for the surgeon to perform a procedure in a public hospital, its credentialing committee will have to be satisfied that the surgeon has been adequately trained in that area.

4 Does the surgeon have a special area of interest?

Although most plastic surgeons are trained to perform all forms of cosmetic surgery, it is common for them to develop a specialized expertise in a specific technique. It is important to ask if your surgeon regularly performs your desired procedure.

5 Will the surgeon show you representative before and after photos of their patients to help you with your expectations?

It is always important for a surgeon to show you a portfolio of before and after photographs of their patients to help you visualize your potential result. Although this is not a guarantee of an outcome, it will help you to obtain a sense of what is possible.

