

# Westlake Plastic Surgery™

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## Operating Room Policy

We at Westlake Plastic Surgery are very fortunate to have our own fully accredited operating facility with state-of-the-art equipment for your comfort and safety. We also have a full-time, board certified anesthesiologist, James Wilson, M.D.

The fees that are quoted to you during your consultation typically cover the entire expense of your operative procedure(s). This includes your facility fee and the fees for your surgeon and anesthesiologist. It also usually includes implants if used. If there are any additional expenses related to your procedure, they will be addressed during your consultation.

It is common for Dr. Caridi to perform staged procedures. This means procedures are performed in a sequence over a period of time to obtain optimal results and to ensure patient safety. There are fees associated with every stage. Staging procedures does not necessarily mean that the cost to you is more than if your procedures were performed in one stage.

Complications that arise from your procedure may require a return to the operating room. Fortunately, these are rare. Should you experience a complication as a result of your procedure necessitating a return to my operative facility, a hospital or a surgery center, there will be additional fees. The cost of hospital or surgery center treatment can be quite expensive, and your insurance company may or may not cover the cost of complications related to cosmetic surgery.

In the course of your post-operative period, if additional procedure(s) would be of benefit to achieve an enhanced result, there will be additional fees for these procedures. These fees are typically deeply discounted compared to your original surgical fee. The average fee is about \$2,500 per operative session, but occasionally the fee can be higher if treatment requires a more complex or lengthy procedure. The fee may also be lower if the revision is relatively simple.

As in all surgeries, there is no guarantee or warranties regarding your surgical outcome. I do all in my power to achieve the best result; however, the very nature of plastic surgery is that revision procedures or touch-ups are often anticipated.