

What does DBIR mean for you?

Are you getting a breast implant?

In that case, it is good to know that all surgery data is registered in DBIR. The Netherlands Society of Plastic Surgery (**NVPC**) would like to monitor and improve the quality of care and of breast implants. That is why a national registry for breast implants (**DBIR**) was started in 2015 in collaboration with the Dutch Institute for Clinical Auditing (**DICA**) and the Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport (**VWS**).



Why?

Since April 2015, plastic surgeons have registered all breast implants that are inserted or removed in the Netherlands in DBIR. This provides insight into breast implant **performance** and tells us whether certain implants last longer than other implants. Additionally, it allows hospitals and private clinics to compare their results with each other. This enables plastic surgeons to assess the **quality** of care they provide and **improve** it, if necessary.

www.implantaatcheck.nl

If you received your breast implant after April 2015, you can check on www.implantaatcheck.nl with the serial number of your implant (which can be found on your **implant passport**) whether your implant has been registered in DBIR.

If this is not the case, you can ask your plastic surgeon why your implant was not registered in DBIR.



DBIR stands for Dutch Breast Implant Registry, the national registry in which breast implants are registered.

Your data

In DBIR, your data is **encrypted**, which means that your data is anonymized. Only in the event of a **national recall**, patients with a certain type of breast implant in their body can be traced. In that case, your healthcare institution will contact you.

You can tell your plastic surgeon if you do not want your data to be registered, but please keep in mind you cannot be traced in the event of a recall.



Plastic surgeons of the NVPC are responsible for DBIR. Information about your breast implant is not only registered in DBIR, but also separately in the National Implant Registry (**LIR**). This overarching register initiated by **VWS** does not only contain data on breast implants, but also on **other implants** such as hip prostheses and pacemakers.

More information

If you have any questions about the registry, please contact the DICA service desk. DICA is the institute that collects data on all kinds of diseases and their treatment. DBIR is one of the quality registrations covered by DICA.

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