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## Dr. Fishman-

Yesterday's vasectomy appears to have established some new records- I'm getting "commiseration calls" from relatives, friends, etc.; their experiences sound substantially different from mine.

My experience was about as close to benign as one might ask- obviously your softtissue technique is substantially different (read: better) in comparison with the experiences of my friends. My brother-in-law, the ENT surgeon

was diaphoretic, if not outright white-faced during and afterwards, and evidently was in considerable discomfort post-operatively.

In contrast, my experience was almost the antithesis: the procedure itself was benign, there was no need for any post-operative analgesics, and while I've experienced some edema around the incision site(s), and some mild tenderness/inflammatory discomfort, all-in-all, I must compliment you on a surprisingly smooth course.

While we, as practicing professionals, rarely hear words of praise (and stand ready to hear the occasional upsets when expectations and reality imperfectly coincide) ) want you to know just how impressed I am with your procedure.

The vasectomy process is fraught with stigma, anticipated pain, as well as an invasion of the most private domain imaginable (not too terribly far removed from dentistry). I compliment you on your professionalism, your kind consideration of my request to permit an observer, and, ultimately, the process and post-operative results.

Please feel free to edit this and use it as a personal endorsement. More importantly, please accept this as my personal and professional compliment to you on a job well-done. Sincerely,

