

ost people think of rhinoplasty as surgery to make the nose smaller and smooth bumps on the bridge of the nose. Given that the nose is the most noticeable facial feature, these unsightly bumps often become a source of unhappiness for many individuals. While a rhinoplasty can certainly make a nose more sculpted, it can correct a variety of conditions including a

disproportionately large or small nose, a hump on the bridge, an undesirable shape of the nasal tip, or a narrow or wide span of the nostrils. Dr. Ryan Greene, a facial plastic surgeon, is a rhinoplasty specialist who sees patients from all over the world with a wide variety of concerns.

The summer is a popular time to undergo rhinoplasty, especially in younger patients who can then recover before school starts in the fall. Many parents often wonder when a teen can safely have



Dr. Ryan Greene examining a rhinoplasty patient

surgery. While he states that most teens are developed enough by age 16, Dr. Greene emphasizes that they must also possess the maturity needed to adapt to their new look.

Dr. Greene also makes a point to emphasize the importance of choosing the right surgeon. "This is a demanding surgery, and patients need to understand that surgeons who don't do this surgery on a regular basis often have difficulty achieving consistent results," he states. Dr. Greene is also quick to point out that not all surgeons share the same 'aesthetic,' meaning their interpretation of how a nose should look.

"Surgeons who operate without actually listening to the desires of the patient can lead to an unhappy patient. Some of my patients want to retain certain existing characteristics and I address these concerns so that they are pleased with the result."

Dr. Greene has named his personal approach 'customized rhinoplasty.' He states that while it requires longer consultations, it ultimately leads to better results and more satisfied patients. Dr. Greene specializes in rhinoplasty and revision rhinoplasty, facelifts, eyelid surgery, lip enhancement, laser resurfacing treatments, scar revision and other facial reconstruction. Dr. Greene also offers in-office injectable treatments such as Botox®, facial fillers (Restylane, Juvederm, Radiesse) and Sculptra. For more information or to schedule a complimentary consultation with Dr. Greene, please call 954.651.6600 or visit GoGreeneMD.com. Dr. Greene emphasizes integrity, patient safety and professional ethics in his prac-