Breast Surgery FAQ (mastopexy, reduction, reconstruction)

Q: How long will my stitches stay in?

A: Between 7-14 days the peri-areolar sutures are removed. The remaining incisions are usually closed with tissue glue.

Q: How long should I take off work?

A: 7-10 days depending on the line of work that you are in.

Q: How long should I wear my compression bra?

A: 3-4 weeks, after 2-3 weeks you can usually discontinue wearing your bra in the evening hours.

Q: How long should I sleep in an upright position?

A: For approximately 3-5 depending on the degree of swelling.

Q: How long should I go without exercise?

A: For approximately 4 weeks following surgery.

Q: When can I shower?

A: In 24-48 hours.

Q: How long before my implants will settle?

A: This varies for everyone, but usually within 2-3 month.