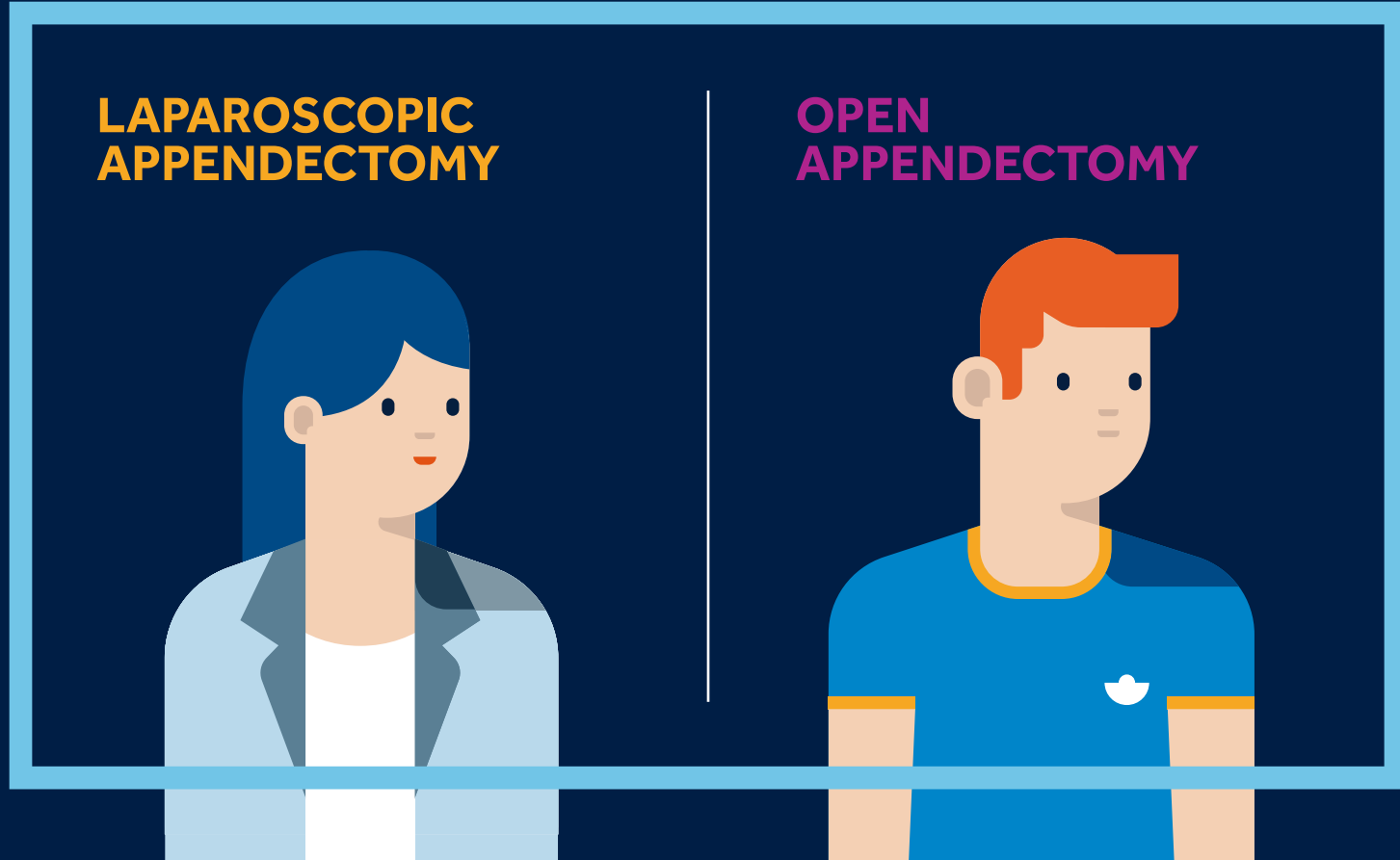


# LESS PAIN. AND A SMALLER SCAR.

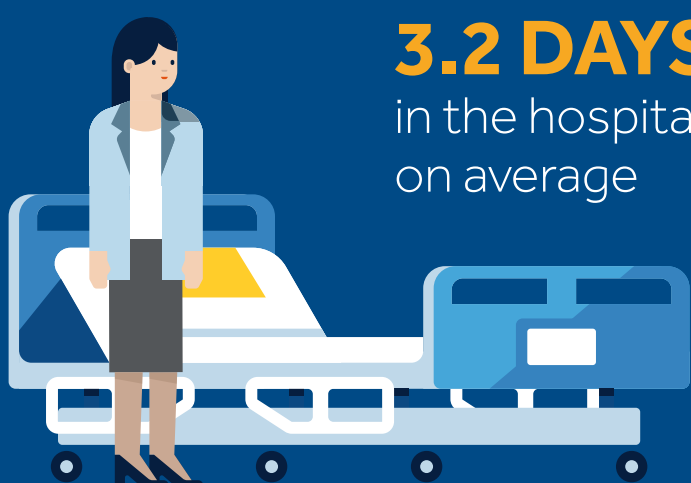
Let's look at two patient experiences. One has a minimally invasive laparoscopic appendectomy. The other has a traditional open procedure.



## LAPAROSCOPIC APPENDECTOMY

## OPEN APPENDECTOMY

### LENGTH OF HOSPITAL STAY<sup>1-19</sup>



**3.2 DAYS**  
in the hospital,  
on average



**4.7 DAYS**  
in the hospital,  
on average

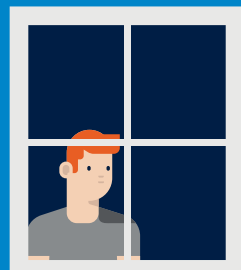
**32%** less time in the hospital for the patient with a laparoscopic appendectomy

### AVERAGE RETURN TO NORMAL ACTIVITY<sup>8,9,12,15,20</sup>

Back to normal activity in nearly half the time



**9.5**  
days for the patient who has a laparoscopic procedure



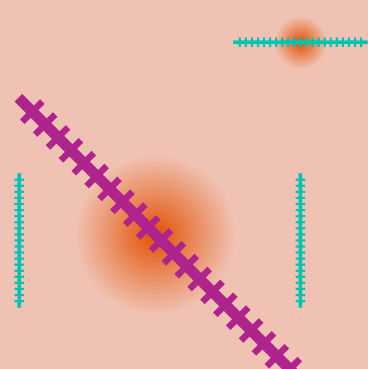
**17.6**  
days for the patient who has an open appendectomy

### AVERAGE RATE OF SURGICAL SITE INFECTIONS<sup>4,6,9,10,18,21</sup>

**2.9%**  
for laparoscopic appendectomies

**8.9%**  
for open appendectomies

**67% lower rate of infection for laparoscopic appendectomies**



**SCAR SIZE**  
**3x**

bigger scar, on average, for the patient who has the open appendectomy<sup>16</sup>

Compared to a patient who has an open procedure, the patient who has a minimally invasive appendectomy typically:

**SPENDS 1.5 FEWER DAYS** in the hospital, on average<sup>1,2,4,6-12</sup>

**HAS LESS PAIN ON THE DAY OF THE SURGERY<sup>13,16,22</sup>** — and less pain after a week<sup>15,22</sup>

**RETURNS TO NORMAL ACTIVITY 8 DAYS FASTER,** on average<sup>8,9,12,15,20</sup>

**HAS A 3X SMALLER SCAR ON AVERAGE<sup>16</sup>**

## Which experience would you want?

For more information about the benefits of minimally invasive surgery, visit [aboutmis.com](http://aboutmis.com)

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