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Prostatic Artery Embolisation for BPH

In the last year or so there has been an increased interest in the use of embolisation (cutting off the blood supply) of the prostate as a minimally invasive form of treatment for prostate enlargement.

This treatment is unproven and currently cannot be recommended as a safe and effective treatment for BPH.

Current clinical experience is limited and this treatment should only be considered in the context of a controlled clinical trial.

The Urological Society of Australia and New Zealand has produced a position statement on this procedure which is balanced and well considered, can be accessed at this link [Position Statement on Prostatic Arterial Embolization for the Treatment of Lower Urinary Tract Symptoms due to Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia](#)