



Things to consider before purchasing Cranial Prosthetic

Fit and Comfort

- Everyone's head is a different shape and size; therefore fitting properly to prevent discomfort is VERY important. An expert in fitting cranial prosthetic will make proper adjusts.

Appearance

- Most wearers find discretion is very important and finding a style that matches their current one is a necessity.
- When a patient is in treatment the skin tone will change and a master colorist will be able to choose the right shade to compliment these changes.
- Shape is important, but the color is just as important for creating the most natural look.
- Feeling adventurous? For some, this may be the opportunity for a new look!

Material and Structure

- Know the difference between Human Hair, Premium Synthetic and Synthetic hair.
- It is highly advisable to own one of each cranial prosthetic. Human and synthetic can be cut only by an expert. Here at elevation, we are considered experts at changing synthetic wigs, a service not readily available.

HUMAN HAIR

Keratin hair which means colored cut and washed. You are able to change the color more than once. It can be styled at home or salon with thermal styling tools. These are less noticeable and less shiny.

SYNTHETIC HAIR

A benefit for some, about this type is the WEIGHT. Man-made cranial prosthetic weigh a lot less than human hair. Lighter weight cranial prosthetic are more comfortable for sensitive scalps. No styling necessary for those that have a busy lifestyle.

PREMIUM SYNTHETIC

This type has all the benefits of Human hair with the exception of coloring. (Low lights and highlights may be added in to the cranial prosthetic using colored pieces)



Structures

- It is important to choose the correct structure based on head shape to prevent slipping and shifting for comfort. Lace Front, Monofilament, stretch cap, etc.
- Overall, lace front (hand tied) is costly but the benefit is the ability to create a more natural looking style with fringe (bangs); this fits most head shapes.
- Avoid Velcro fastening wigs because it tends to collect lint particles and compromises the secure fit or cause irritation. **Adjustable fastening hooks are recommended.
- Monofilament, also known as "Mono", structure has the appearance the hair is growing from scalp. It has excellent ventilation, which prevents heat and moisture. A cap style offers the most realistic scalp appearance and hair "movement" possible!

Price

- Depending on the type of cranial prosthetic, the price range can be \$85.00 to \$1000.00 or more.
- When choosing a cranial prosthetic, consider the value, quality and appearance. By doing this, it will lift your spirits and help you in your recovery process, which is priceless.

Having the Right Stylist

- When the cranial prosthetic is not cut correctly the first time, it will maybe look one or all of these: **BLUNT, BULKY, FRIZZY or STRINGY**
- Because the hair doesn't grow on a cranial prosthetic, it is paramount that you seek a professional who can create just the right style and protect your investment at the beginning.
- One example:
We were referred by a client who already invested over \$1000 in a Human Hair cranial prosthetic. It felt too big, bulky and fit uncomfortably. The more a regular stylist tried to correct the problem, the worse it became since they couldn't resolve the source causes. The remedy was to fix the structure, making it smaller in four different places on the sides of the head. Having resolved that, it was realized the color was not complimentary to the client's skin tone, so highlighting and low lighting was added. After we finished the style and color, she cried and looked absolutely natural.

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