

Hydrocele

What is a Hydrocele?

A hydrocele is a collection of fluid in the scrotum, the sac surrounding the testicle.

Causes

Unknown

Problems with the testicle such as infection or inflammation

Fluid from the abdomen

Symptoms

Swelling of the scrotum

Pain

Difficulty in walking or sitting

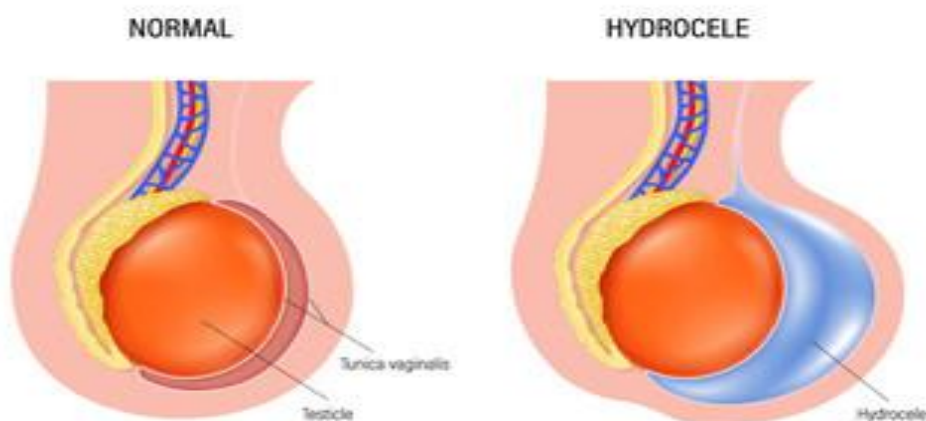


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Diagnosis

Clinical Examination

Ultrasound of the scrotum

Treatment Options

Observation: If small, a hydrocele may not require treatment.

Surgery: To remove the fluid and repair the sac.

Drainage: To remove the fluid with a needle.

Sclerotherapy: To prevent the fluid from re-accumulating.