

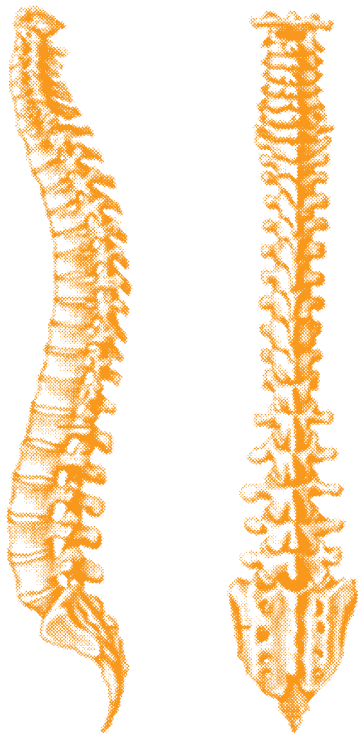


**You would never
guess that Janice had a
Vertebral Compression Fracture.**

StabiliT™
Vertebral Augmentation System

Redefining the treatment of
Vertebral Compression Fractures

For information about the
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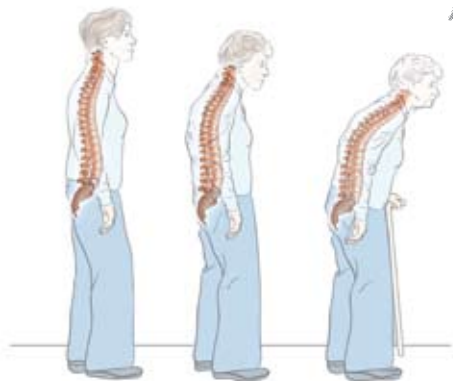
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What is a Vertebral Compression Fracture?

The spine is made up of a series of strong bones called vertebrae. A vertebra can break just like any other bone in the body. When the vertebral body collapses, it is called a vertebral compression fracture (VCF).

One fracture significantly increases the risk of another, causing spinal deformity and an overall decrease in health. VCFs are painful, sometimes progressive and reduce the patient's quality of life.



Multiple vertebral compression fractures can cause spinal deformity. Sometimes we see this in the form of a stooped posture, or a forward curvature of the spine known as kyphosis. The forward curvature can compress bodily organs. Over time this spinal deformity can make breathing difficult and is associated with the loss of lung function. It is also known to cause digestive trouble, affect body balance, and hinder walking.

How the StabiliT™ Vertebral Augmentation System Works

StabiliT™ Vertebral Augmentation System is a minimally invasive solution for treating vertebral compression fractures of the spine to ease pain and improve strength and stability of the vertebral body.

This procedure is performed at a hospital under local or general anesthesia. After making a small incision, a small instrument is guided into the collapsed vertebra.



Once the tip of the small instrument is positioned precisely, special bone cement is filled to support the collapsed vertebra. The bone cement hardens, and the fracture is quickly stabilized.



Like all surgeries, vertebral augmentation does have risks. These risks depend on the patient's overall health. For a complete list of adverse events and to determine if you are a candidate for the StabiliT™ Vertebral Augmentation, please consult with your doctor.

StabiliT™ Vertebral Augmentation System

Redefining the treatment of Vertebral Compression Fractures

The goal in treating a vertebral compression fracture is to stabilize it, reduce pain, return to normal function and prevent any spinal deformity.

The StabiliT™ Vertebral Augmentation System stabilizes the spine while providing patients with much needed pain relief. After treatment, studies of minimally invasive vertebral augmentation procedures have shown:

- Relief of back pain and discomfort¹
- Potential correction of spinal deformity²
- Ability to perform activities of daily living³
- Improved quality of life⁴



For more information, please consult with your physician or visit www.dfineinc.com

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