

# Disc-FX<sup>®</sup>



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## Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> System Overview

The Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> System is an innovative, minimal access spine system designed to efficiently access the damaged disc without injury to surrounding disc anatomy. Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> permits multiple treatment options compared to other “single treatment” devices in the marketplace. Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> features a patented navigational device called Trigger-Flex<sup>®</sup> Bipolar System which was specifically designed to access and treat the diseased portion(s) of the disc. The Trigger-Flex<sup>®</sup> emits a specific form of Radiowave energy used since 1950 in delicate surgical procedures. Unlike any other surgical energy source, the patented Radiowave energy pioneered by Ellman produces specific tissue effects to modulate the predetermined “pain generating” aspect(s) of the disc.

## Treating Contained Disc Herniations

In the past, patients with contained disc herniations have been treated with conservative care including rest, medications, injections and/or physical therapy. Unfortunately, this does not always provide relief. In the past, people who did not respond to conservative care were forced to live with the symptoms or consider major spine surgery. If they underwent surgery, it could take weeks or months to recover, causing a major disruption in their daily lives. With Disc-FX<sup>®</sup>, this is not the case. Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> provides an option for those people who have failed conservative care, and are not yet ready for major surgery. It is a minimal access procedure performed on an out-patient basis whereby the patient will go home the same day of the procedure with only a small bandage on their back. Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> is performed using x-ray guidance to accurately place the Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> System into the disc. The patented Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> device is then inserted into the center of the disc where tissue is precisely treated and/or removed. As a result, disc pressure is reduced, which eases symptoms.

## Who is a Candidate for the Procedure?

Patients with symptomatic, contained lumbar disc herniations that have not responded to conservative treatment may experience relief from a Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> procedure. Typical signs of a contained lumbar disc herniation is lower back pain or pain radiating down the leg accompanied by some lower back pain. Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> may not be beneficial for advanced degenerative disc disease or spinal fractures. Your doctor will evaluate and determine if you are a candidate for the Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> procedure.

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## **Potential Benefits of the Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> Procedure:**

- Minimal Access Procedure
- Outpatient Procedure
- Minor Skin Incision
- Rapid Procedure
- Multiple Treatment Options
- Local Anesthetic
- Target Access to Damaged (Diseased) Area
- Treat Multiple Disc Levels
- Early Anticipated Return to Normal Activities

## **Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> has been shown to:**

- Offer a safe and effective treatment option
- Provide improvement in quality of life
- Treat multiple disc levels with one surgical procedure

## **Are there any complications with the Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> Procedure?**

As with any other minimally invasive disc treatments, side effects of Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> are relatively rare and should be discussed with your physician.

\*\*This information is designed to help you make an informed decision about Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> as a method of treating symptoms caused by contained disc herniations. Only a doctor can determine whether you are a suitable candidate for the Disc-FX<sup>®</sup> procedure. Please consult your physician

## **Reference:**

<http://www.elliquence.com/patient.cfm>