

Modified Posterior Perineoplasty in Women

To the Editors:

Recently, I noticed a paper by Adam Ostrzenski, "Modified Posterior Perineoplasty in Women."¹ It appears from the Materials and Methods section that patients were operated on in Florida, while the study was approved by the Bioethics Committee of the Warsaw Medical University. I would like to know how a committee in Warsaw can approve a study in the United States?

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Dr. Ostrzenski replies:

Thank you for your note and question.

The local Institutional Review Board reviewed the protocol study that we submitted to the Bioethics Committee, Warsaw Medical University, and advised that it was sufficient for conducting the clinical study in the USA. Additionally, they suggested that the informed consent should meet the Florida State legal criteria and advised that the medical ethics field is unified throughout the world.

We performed the first phase of the anatomical study at the Department of Forensic Medicine, Warsaw Medical University, and both phases (anatomical and clinical) of the study protocols were submitted for ethical evaluation. Both phases of the study were approved by the Bioethical Ethics Committee.

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