

## Hernia Surgery Operative Note: Required Components

The following information should be included in the operative note dictation template used by the hernia surgeon.

- Name:
- Gender:
- Age:
- Race:
- Body mass index:
  
- Associated diagnosis:
- Diabetes mellitus: Yes | No
- Coronary heart disease: Yes | No
- Cancer: Yes | No
- Steroid use: Yes | No
  - [If yes] Last taken:
- Tobacco use: Yes | No
  - [If yes] Last used:
  - [If yes] Type:
  - [If yes] Frequency (per day):
  - [If yes] Duration (years):
- Alcohol use: Yes | No
  - [If yes] Minimal | Moderate | Heavy
  
- Location of hernia (zone or zones):
- Length (cm):
- Width (cm):
- Primary: Yes | No
- Recurrent: Yes | No
  - [If yes] Number of recurrences:
  
- Access: Open | Laparoscopic | Combined
- Component separation: Yes | No
- Mesh: Yes | No
  - [If yes] Type: Synthetic | Biologic | Combined
    - [If biologic] Bovine | Porcine | Allograft
  - [If yes] Location: Extraperitoneal | Preperitoneal | Intraperitoneal
- Operative time (minutes):