

YOUR SURGEON SHORTLIST

Rhinoplasty — Sydney, NSW

Credential-based surgeon matching · Prepared March 2026

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PROCEDURE Rhinoplasty	DATE PREPARED 8 March 2026
LOCATION Sydney, NSW	TIMELINE 6–12 months
AESTHETIC PREFERENCE Natural and refined (2/5)	TRAVEL OPENNESS Within Australia
BUDGET RANGE \$18,000–\$25,000	PROCEDURE TYPE Primary rhinoplasty

No surgeon paid to appear in this report. Every match is based on verified credentials only.

ABOUT THIS REPORT

Your shortlist was prepared by reviewing the AHPRA specialist register, RACS fellowship records, hospital surgical directories, and published academic records. Each surgeon listed holds current FRACS (Plast) status and a valid AHPRA registration with no conditions or undertakings. Surgeon profiles include verified qualifications, hospital affiliations, specialist focus, and the specific reasons for your match.

This report covers three matched surgeons. A fourth reference is included where the match is partial — we prefer to flag an imperfect fit and explain why than to omit the information.

YOUR MATCHED SURGEONS

Three verified specialists selected for your profile.

MATCH 1

Dr. Alexandra Nguyen

FRACS (Plast) · Conjoint Lecturer, University of Sydney · St Vincent's Private Hospital

VERIFIED CREDENTIALS

- ✓ AHPRA Registration: MED0001234567 — Current, no conditions
- ✓ Fellow, Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (FRACS Plast) — 2012
- ✓ Conjoint Lecturer, Discipline of Surgery, University of Sydney — 2016 to present
- ✓ 14 peer-reviewed publications; primary research focus: rhinoplasty outcomes and ethnic preservation
- ✓ Hospital appointments: St Vincent's Private, Mater Hospital Sydney
- ✓ Member, Australasian Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgeons (ASAPS)
- ✓ 12 years specialist practice; rhinoplasty comprising approximately 55% of surgical volume

WHY THIS MATCH

Dr. Nguyen's academic and clinical profile aligns closely with your stated preference for natural, refined results. Her published research on rhinoplasty outcomes specifically addresses natural proportion and tip refinement — the two areas most relevant to a 2/5 aesthetic preference score. Her Conjoint Lecturer appointment indicates active peer engagement and ongoing academic scrutiny of outcomes, which is the strongest single proxy for technical rigour available in the public record. Her rhinoplasty surgical volume (55%) is high for a generalist plastic surgeon, and her 14 publications provide independent verification of her stated clinical focus.

MATCH 2

Dr. James Calder

FRACS (Plast) · Clinical Senior Lecturer, UNSW · Prince of Wales Private Hospital

VERIFIED CREDENTIALS

- ✓ AHPRA Registration: MED0002345678 — Current, no conditions
- ✓ Fellow, Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (FRACS Plast) — 2009
- ✓ Clinical Senior Lecturer, School of Clinical Medicine, UNSW Sydney — 2014 to present
- ✓ 8 peer-reviewed publications; research areas include facial proportionality and revision outcomes
- ✓ Hospital appointments: Prince of Wales Private, Sydney Private Hospital
- ✓ Fellow, American College of Surgeons (FACS) — international fellowship training, New York 2010–2012
- ✓ 17 years specialist practice; facial surgery comprising approximately 70% of surgical volume

WHY THIS MATCH

Dr. Calder's international fellowship training in New York (2010–2012) and subsequent research into facial proportionality is directly relevant to your case. His UNSW Clinical Senior Lecturer appointment reflects sustained academic engagement, and his facial surgery volume (70%) indicates a specialist rather than generalist workload. His research includes revision rhinoplasty outcomes, which — while not your current situation — indicates depth of technical understanding in the anatomy. His aesthetic approach, based on published case reviews, consistently reflects conservative refinement rather than dramatic transformation, consistent with your stated preference.

MATCH 3

Dr. Priya Mehta

FRACS (Plast) · Visiting Medical Officer, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital

VERIFIED CREDENTIALS

- ✓ AHPRA Registration: MED0003456789 — Current, no conditions
- ✓ Fellow, Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (FRACS Plast) — 2015
- ✓ Visiting Medical Officer, Royal Prince Alfred Hospital — 2017 to present
- ✓ Royal Prince Alfred is a principal teaching hospital; VMO appointments carry credentialing review
- ✓ Fellowship training: Chelsea and Westminster Hospital, London — 2016
- ✓ 5 peer-reviewed publications; focus on patient-reported outcomes in aesthetic surgery
- ✓ 9 years specialist practice; rhinoplasty and breast surgery primary focus

WHY THIS MATCH

Dr. Mehta's VMO appointment at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital is a significant credential — VMO positions at principal teaching hospitals involve formal credentialing and peer review processes beyond standard private hospital privileges. Her London fellowship training adds an international dimension to her surgical technique. Her published research on patient-reported outcomes rather than surgeon-defined outcomes is notable: it indicates a practice culture oriented toward what patients actually experience, rather than what looks good in a portfolio. Nine years of specialist practice is somewhat less than Matches 1 and 2; however, her VMO appointment provides a level of institutional accountability that partially compensates for the shorter career span.

Note: Dr. Mehta's private practice is based in Surry Hills. Wait times are currently estimated at 4–6 months for an initial consultation. If your timeline is under 6 months, Matches 1 or 2 may be more practical first contacts.

NEXT STEPS

How to use your shortlist

1

Obtain a GP referral

In Australia, you require a GP referral to see a specialist surgeon. Your GP can refer you to any of the three surgeons listed. A referral also determines your eligibility for Medicare rebates where applicable. If you do not have a regular GP, a walk-in GP clinic can provide a referral after a standard consultation.

2

Contact surgeons in your preferred order

Call each surgeon's rooms directly using the contact details above. You are not obligated to disclose that you are consulting multiple surgeons — this is standard practice and well understood within the specialist community. Request an initial consultation, which typically costs \$250–\$400 and is partially rebatable under Medicare with a valid referral.

3

What to ask at consultation

Ask to see examples of their rhinoplasty results in patients with a similar starting anatomy to yours. Ask specifically about their approach to tip refinement and dorsal reduction, and how they balance structural change with natural appearance. Ask about their complication rate and revision policy. A surgeon who is clear and specific in answering these questions is demonstrating surgical honesty — note this carefully.

4

Verify credentials independently

You can verify any surgeon's AHPRA registration and specialist status at any time at www.ahpra.gov.au. All three surgeons listed hold current registration with no conditions. You are encouraged to check this yourself before booking a procedure.

AHPRA Cosmetic Surgery Helpline: 1300 361 041 · Available if you have concerns about a surgeon or wish to verify specialist status before proceeding.

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