

rhinoplasty case study

Since the age of five, Kelly lived with a ‘wonky’ nose – until she visited Sydney plastic surgeon **Dr Kourosh Tavakoli**. Elise Eggleton reports.

Cosmetic surgery is often something people want to do for a long time but postpone it for months, even years, due to self-consciousness, anxiety or lack of self-confidence. However, once the procedure is completed most patients say they wish they hadn’t waited so long.

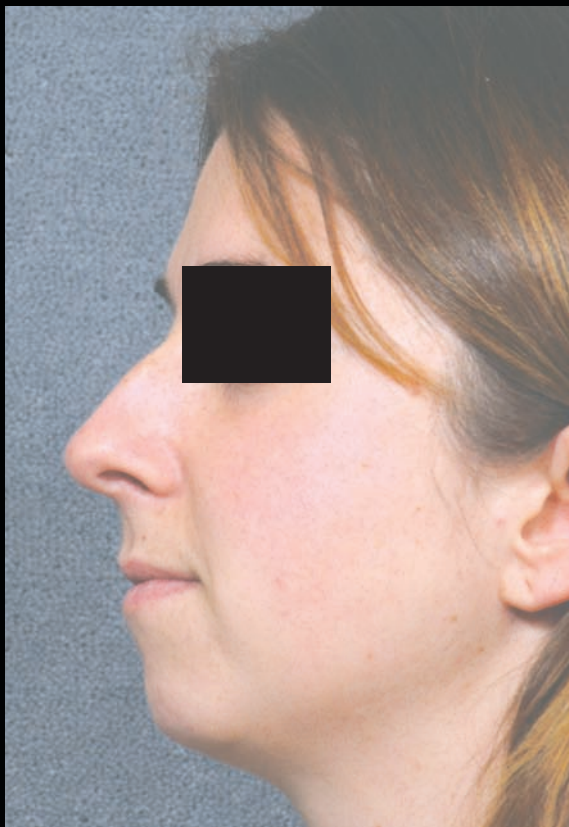
Such is the case with Kelly, who recently underwent a rhinoplasty procedure by Sydney plastic surgeon Dr Kourosh Tavakoli. ‘I’d always wanted to fix my “wonky” nose and when I moved to Australia I finally decided to do it,’ says Kelly.

Kelly says her nose was broken at the age of five and was never fixed properly. ‘When I was five, my sister accidentally broke my nose when she hit me over the face with a Lego brick,’ she explains. ‘Since then it has always been a bit crooked and with a bump on it.’

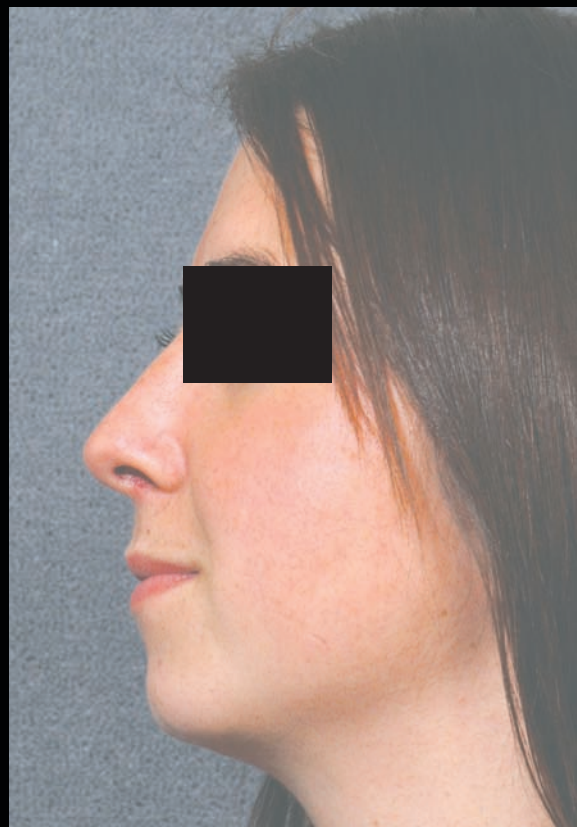
Kelly visited Dr Tavakoli to discuss the operation and how she might like her nose to be revised. ‘I knew before the initial consultation that I wanted my nose straightened and the bump removed,’ says Kelly. ‘Dr Tavakoli used a computer imaging system so I could see how my new nose would look. The result is almost identical to what we planned so I am very happy.’

After about three weeks, Kelly was back at work in her office job. ‘After three weeks I was able to remove all the taping and bandaging. However, it took a few months before I got all the feeling back in my nasal area,’ she says. ‘The swelling was completely gone after about a month.’

Rhinoplasty is one of the most common cosmetic surgery procedures performed in Australia and, as Kelly would agree has a high patient satisfaction rating. **acsm**



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AFTER rhinoplasty by Dr Tavakoli