

A Brief Chronology of Cyberattacks on Plastic Surgery Practices

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The following is just a partial chronology of attacks on plastic surgery practices. It does not include leaks of data due to human error or other types of incidents.

2017

- **Plastic Surgery Associates of South Dakota** [reported a ransomware attack](#) that affected more than 10,000 patients. DataBreaches is not aware of any data that has been leaked from this incident.
- Lithuanian plastic surgery clinic **Grožio Chirurgija** was hacked and [sensitive patient data was posted online](#). Individual files were listed for sale between €50 and €2,000 each or for €344,000 the whole package.
- **London Bridge Plastic Surgery** in the U.K. was attacked by thedarkoverlord. The clinic reportedly negotiated a payment, but it wasn't enough to satisfy TDO, who would [later try to extort the patients directly](#).
- thedarkoverlord also attacked **Dr. Robert Spies'** plastic surgery practice in Arizona. When the doctor didn't pay them, they started [leaking identifiable patient data, including photos](#).

2019

- Dr. Richard Davis at **The Center for Facial Restoration** in Florida received an extortion demand from threat actor(s) who had exfiltrated patient data. When he didn't pay, they started [contacting patients directly](#).

2020

- The plastic surgery center of **Dr. Kristin Tarbet** in Bellevue Washington was reportedly [hit by ransomware on May 1](#).
- On the same day, Maze Team also reportedly [hit Nashville Plastic Surgery Institute, LLC, dba Maxwell Aesthetics](#). Maze leaked data from both practices.

2021

- **JEV Plastic Surgery & Medical Aesthetics** disclosed that an unauthorized actor accessed their systems and may have [viewed or acquired certain patient](#)

[information](#) between April 30, 2021 and June 14, 2021. It is not known to DataBreaches whether there was any extortion demand or leak of patient data.

2023

- The plastic surgery practice of **Roberto Polizzo** in Brazil was [attacked and leaked](#) by "The Snake." Many of the files appeared to be encrypted.
- **Beverly Hills Plastic Surgery** (BHPS) was [attacked by AlphV](#). The physicians' [notification didn't disclose](#) that patient data was leaked on the dark web.
- **Gary Motykie, M.D.** was [attacked by an unnamed group or individual](#). A leak site displayed [nude photos of patients as well as their full medical records](#). Videos of the surgeon in not-safe-for-work videos were also leaked. Later the attackers removed the listing and claimed the videos of the doctor were [fake news](#), an explanation that did not seem particularly credible.
- **Hankins & Sohn Plastic Surgery Associates** was [attacked by the same threat actor\(s\)](#) that hit Gary Motykie, M.D. That breach reportedly occurred in February, but was not disclosed until months later. There was also a leak site with nude photos, personal information, and medical records of the named patients. The information on the leak site has also been indexed by Google, so a search of a patient's name will link to all that sensitive information and pictures of them. It is not known to DataBreaches whether the doctors have tried to get Google to remove all listings from that leak site.
- **Jaime S. Schwartz, M.D.** was attacked by Hunters International.

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