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WORDS OF WISDOM BY DAN SAVAGE

I am uncircumcised, and the opening at the end of my foreskin is not large enough for the head of my penis to pass through. This means my foreskin doesn't pull back when I get an erection. The internet says this is a condition called "phimosis," and a lot of medical websites recommend circumcision. I'm not super-excited by that idea. I don't have any pain or difficulty with sex or urination, and I've never had any health problems related to being uncircumcised. The foreskin isn't stuck or fused to the glans — the hole is just small. Is there a safe, nonsurgical way to enlarge the opening in the foreskin?

Dick Hole Panic

"Tell Dick Hole Panic not to panic," said Stephen H. King, MD, a urologist in Washington State and my new go-to guy for all questions dick. "Phimosis occurs in an uncircumcised penis when a circular ring of the foreskin becomes scarred, often from prior infection, inflammation, or trauma. This scar prevents the normally elastic tissue of the foreskin from fully retracting to expose the head of the penis."

Roughly one in a hundred men have phimosis, said Dr. King, "and depending on the degree of narrowing, complications of phimosis can vary widely. These can include difficulty with cleaning/hygiene, infection, pain with erection, bleeding from skin cracking, and paraphimosis." Paraphimosis sounds like something you want to avoid: "It occurs when a narrow foreskin is pulled back to expose the head of the penis but then can't be pulled back over the head, which then constricts blood flow to the glans," said Dr. King. Paraphimosis can cut off blood flow to the head of the penis, which can cause the head of your cock to become gangrenous and die, which is why anyone suffering from it should head to an emergency room immediately. Here's something else to worry about: "Although extremely rare, penile cancer can arise, usually in older patients with recurrent infections/inflammation."

You're probably panicking now, DHP — hell, hearing about paraphimosis has me panicking, and I'm circumcised. But the doctor said your case doesn't sound serious: You aren't experiencing any pain, your dick seems to work fine, you haven't suffered from a series of infections. You don't need to do anything about your phimosis for now, said Dr. King, but if you're worried about complications arising in the future, or if you want your sex partners to see the head of your dick someday, there are nonsurgical remedies.

"Preputial gymnastics" is one way to resolve phimosis," said Dr. King. "It sounds like an Olympic event, but it involves gently pulling the foreskin back to expose the tip of the glans to the point where the ring of scar is exposed." In other words, pull your foreskin back until you can't pull it back anymore, and you'll be looking at the scar tissue. "Hold this position for one minute and repeat three to four times a day," Dr. King continued. "In combination with topical application of a steroid cream twice daily, typically betamethasone 0.05 percent (needs a prescription), more than 90 percent of cases will dramatically improve or resolve within four to six weeks."

And if you're one of the 10 percent of phimosis sufferers whose case doesn't improve through preputial gymnastics?

"Then he should break out the Manischewitz for his impending bris," said Dr. King.

I have rarely ever been able to have an orgasm during intercourse. The few times it happened, I was stimulating my clit. But I think my body is used to clitoral orgasms without a penis thrusting inside my vagina. Recently, I started mixing pot and sex. I've been a pot smoker for years but never thought to have sex on pot before. It has always been just a social thing with friends. It is incredible! Marijuana relaxes my body and heightens my senses so that when my BF and I have sex, I come! And come and come — and I squirt, which I have NEVER done before! When we have sex without smoking, the sex is still great, but I don't orgasm like I do when I'm high. I feel like I need weed to orgasm the way I want to. Before I dated my BF, I smoked pot only once a month or so. Now I'm doing it once a week at least. My sex life is finally amazing AND fulfilling. Three questions: (1) Does this sound like a huge problem? (2) Should I be worried? (3) What do you suggest?

Blazing Orgasms Newly Gained

1. It does sound like a problem — a problem that's been solved.
2. Not if you live in Colorado or Washington State, BONG, where voters legalized pot use in last November's election.
3. A vaporizer.

I am in a great relationship with a very sexy and open-minded woman. Recently we were talking about likes and dislikes, and she mentioned "role-play scenes." This sent me into a little bit of a panic since this is something I've never engaged in. However, since I am more on the dominant side in our relationship, I'd rather not ask her a lot of questions. I'm hoping to take the lead and find out something about it on my own. I want to seem imaginative to her and not just copy what other men have done. Unfortunately, my web searches have been fruitless. Cosmo, Glamour, and even men's sites have articles about "role-play" from time to time, but they seem to be written for juveniles. Do you have any ideas about role-play scenarios — especially ones that could be initiated by a man?

Apprehensive About Role Play

I have plenty of ideas about role-play scenarios that could be initiated by a man, AARP, but sexual pleasure is highly subjective — one gay man's hot role-play scenario is likely someone else's nightmare scenario. So you're going to have to talk with your woman about what kinds of scenarios turn her on.

Some people have a hard time talking about their kinks. Just saying the words "I'm into role-play" or "I want to try bondage" is such a struggle that a nervous kinkster is emotionally exhausted after the big reveal. The kinkster feels like she's done the hard part — she said "role-play" or "bondage" out loud! — and her partner should do the rest of the work, i.e., make their fantasies come true without asking them to talk about it anymore. But you can't fly blind into someone else's sexual fantasies. If she's turned on by something mild like a sexy-cop-and-speeding-driver role-play scenario, AARP, surprising her with a serial-killer-and-his-terrified-victim role-play scenario is likely to backfire. Likewise, someone who's turned on by gentle neckties-and-bedposts bondage isn't going to be happy about an intense institutional-restraints-and-soundproof-leather-hood bondage session.

She's going to have to give you more information, AARP, and you're going to have to let go of the notion that being the Dom means not asking questions. A dominant's first job — before a role-play scene begins, before anyone gets tied up — is to ask questions and find out what his submissive wants to experience. The trick is to give her what she wants while building in small surprises and gradually, over time, pushing into new territories together.

But you're going to have to ask her more questions, and she's going to have to answer them. If she's too shy to talk about her kinks face-to-face, have the convo over e-mail.

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WOMEN SEEKING WOMEN

SOFT AND SEXY

I'm looking for a sexy woman that isn't too butch or too girly (lots of perfume or make-up) to play with. I am into music, gardening, good food, beer and 420. **Anastasia**, 33

WOMEN SEEKING ?

TWISTED PREY

Attractive, good dancer with a wicked sense of humor, new in town; lonely. Seeking quiet, sadistic predator type, 50ish Male or F2M. Dirty talk, breath play, stalking games, ? **Ki**, 45,

DRUNK-ON-LUST OR DEPRIVED-OF-DEPRIVITY

Single college female seeking to indulge her erotic fantasies. Fetish, BDSM, Rope-Bondage, Flagellation, Corsetry, Stockings, Garter-Belts, Burlesque, Toys, Gothic, Industrial Music, Rubber, Latex, PVC, Piercings. Under-appreciated Dolly wants to play... **PiercedPeach**, 36,

THAT'S MZBITCH

Dominant woman interested in submissive man, woman or couple for discrete play. I adore pain sluts but abhor brats. Be real, be truthful, or be on your way. **MzBitch**, 47,

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

DISCREET, DOMINANT, SENSUAL

Healthy dominant male in touch with his feminine side seeking discreet, erotic encounters with a sexy, confident female who knows what she likes and isn't afraid to ask. You host. **sensualstranger**, 32,

EXCITABLE RECLUSE LEAF-TURNER

Guilt gone, what remains but love? Open to fwb, polyamory, and veering into philosophical mumbo-jumbo. Some of the benefits I'm looking for in our friendship are: laughter, food, movies and sex. **freewill**, 46

HAPPILY MARRIED DTF

Im 6 foot, athletic, happily married. Must be desecrate. This is for someone looking to get licked&dicked. Looking for fit & attractive female or two under 30. **MarriedDTF**, 26

DON'T WANT RELATIONSHIP

No strings. Just want to beat it up like you wish he would! **shimmy1977**, 36,

TOUCH, LICK, TASTE

Looking for woman with NEEDS who knows she can meet the needs of her man. Discreet encounters or getting to know my way around the right woman. oral giver :). **LovinCup**, 43

BUILTUP PASSIONS DANGER

looking for twice aweek hookups 2-4 hours more if needed not looking for long term guy schedule my Skills OMMP Grower my home my fireplace need you free hugs-kisses. **waiting4U**, 64,

FANTASY FULFILLER

I am an open person who's main purpose is to fulfill any and all fantasies for myself and for others, and not necessarily in that order. **Amon**, 24,

MEN SEEKING ?

COME FIND ME

I am pretty open minded and willing to try most things at least once. Bi guy looking for whatev comes my way. Don't be shy. **BigFunGuy**, 31,

HANDSOME OLD SENSUALIST

looking for a nice attractive, slender young beauty or a stable couple to play with. Disease free. Not a freak. Let's just have us some pink, naked, squishy fun! :). **pure**, 51

COUPLES

HUSBAND & I

SEEKING Sexxx Friends over 40. Hetero couples only. **Mona** 541-954-8099

A 3-WAY TIE

My friend (female, slender, cute, 22) and I (male, tall, fit, 22) are enjoying an exciting and fulfilling sex life together. Looking for another girl who would like to join in for some casual play. **RadioCures**, 22,

WATCHER'S, BBQ PARTIE'S

Husband and I are seeking year around friend's over 40. We like to watch our friend's have sex while We have sex. We host nude BBQs as well. **moanbone**, 53,

LOOKING FOR SPICE

Looking for couple, man & woman, or woman, HWP, STD free, exchange sexy emails, watch and be watched, play. She is very erotic and knows how to work it, very bi-curious, pretty. He is strait, well endowed and gentle. **jaymimi2**, 50,

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