

Astrology & the Right Time to Have Surgery

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If you're like me the thought of having surgery is nerve racking. Even though modern medicine is quite fantastic in what it can accomplish there is always that gnawing feeling about 'what if...'? In fact, if you need to have surgery it's important that you select the right astrological time. The most favourable time for the best outcome and equally important, blood loss.

Before I tell you my story, let me share with you that some research has been conducted, across a range of disciplines, regarding activities around the full moon and new moon and possible effects on human behaviour. Two examples provided by Townley (1989 pg 4) are *Dr Arnold Lieber, and his associates at the University Miami's Psychology Department, correlated murder rates for 15 years. The result was that the murder rates peaked at the new and full-moon and fell off in the quarters...A previous study by the Philadelphia Police Department; entitled 'The Effect of the Full Moon on Human Behaviour' demonstrates a monthly peak in violent crime and crimes with psychotic roots such as destructive driving, kleptomania and alcoholic, homicide.*

Townley (1989 pg 4) goes on to quote Dr Edson J. Andrews report that tabulates 1000 tonsillectomies, which cites, *82% of major postoperative bleeding occurred near or at the full moon than the new moon, even though there were fewer admissions at the time.*

As an astrologer, I have been always curious about the impact of cycles and the cause and effect of planetary movements on humans. The full moon and the new moon is one such minor monthly cycle taking 27.5 days to complete one cycle and having stumbled on the above statistics found myself intrigued when I had to make more than one trip to hospital.

Now, I've been able to experience first-hand the effects it has on surgery. My examples follow and a realise I was not having surgery for exactly the same reason however I still found the result is quite fascinating. Several years ago I had two lots of surgery within a six-month time span. The first operation would have been considered major as it was a hysterectomy and potentially had a risk of significant blood loss. This surgery took place well away from the full moon and there was minimal blood loss. Indeed, my recovery was absolutely amazing. I had been informed that I would need the usual seven weeks off work to recover, and I would be required to take it very easy during that period of time. As it turned out, I recovered, so well that after four weeks my doctor told me I could return to work and actually commence light exercise, which, at the time was music to my ears because I was a gym junkie!

Although surgery is always a risk, the second operation seemed reasonably straight forward. This time it was sinus surgery. The date had been set and circumstances occurred resulting in the need for that date to be changed. As a consequence of this unexpected change the date was moved closer to the full moon and afterwards the doctor reported that they had to stop operating because I lost so much blood! While I was waiting to go into theatre one of the nurses started talking to me, because she could see I was rather nervous. I don't remember what she said, but I certainly remember my reply, which was 'I'm an astrologer and it's near a full moon and I'm going to bleed like a stuck pig', meaning I expected I would bleed quite a lot. This is exactly what occurred. I remember coming out of my drowsy stupor with my

surgeon and standing there, looking rather concerned as he expressed that due to the amount of blood loss they had to stop the operation because they were very close to my brain and he couldn't see what it was doing! Having said that it was quite a pleasing result, and I'm sure the theatre nurse was fascinated!

More recently I had very delicate ear surgery and deliberately selected a new moon date. Now, notwithstanding the fact that I have an excellent surgeon with whom I have great regard and a high level of trust, an equally important part of this process, the reason behind my thinking was that the bodily fluids will behave very well under this influence. After all, the moon does control the tides, so it makes perfectly logical sense that it will also influence the way our bodily fluids respond. The surgery has been very successful.

As I stated previously, these examples represent three different types of surgery. However, I find it consistent with the data that around the time of full moon. I actually did experience significant blood loss on a relatively straightforward, seemingly simple operation.

You might be surprised at the number of people, who will ring me if they're having elective surgery in order to just simply avoid the full moon. Although astrologically there are other factors to consider this is most certainly, the main one.

I hope this gives you something for you to consider, if you are ever required to have surgery.

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