

CC: My penis is crooked

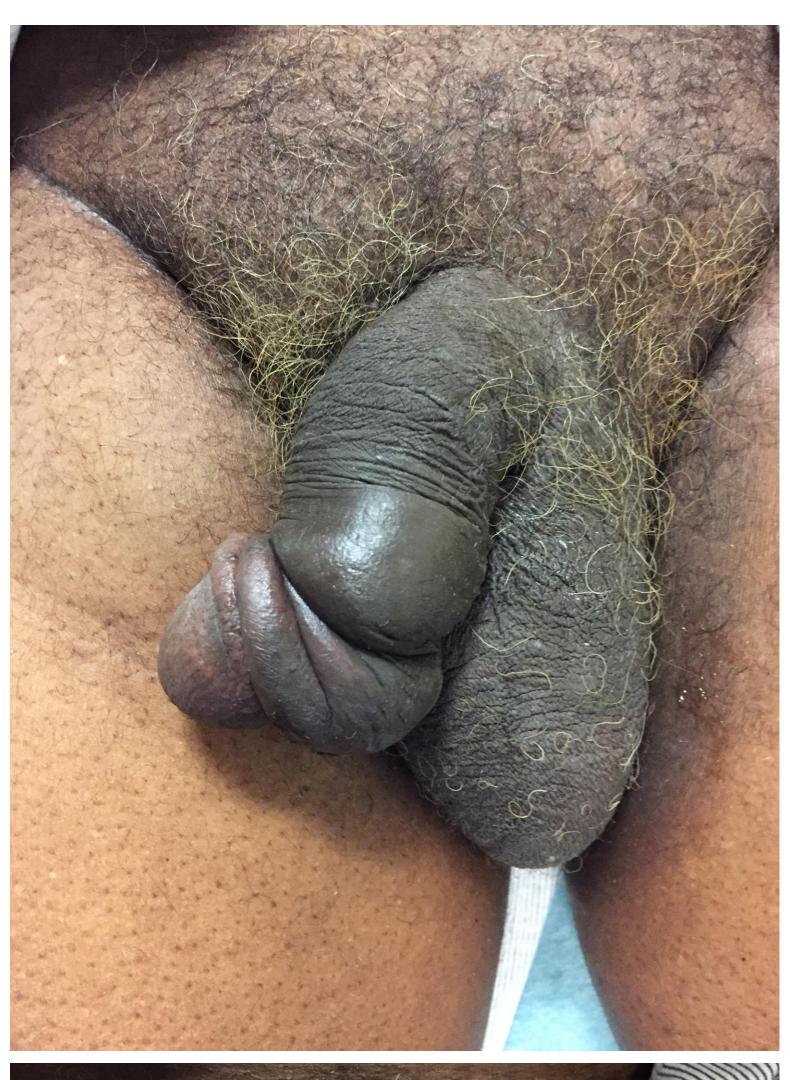
HPI: A 54 yo man presents for evaluation of penile deformity for 19 days. He describes aggressive consensual intercourse resulting in acute severe pain, swelling, ecchymosis and deformity of his penis. The pain resolved the next day, but the deformity persisted. He can achieve penile erection with sexual stimulation but has not attempted intercourse since the initial injury. He does not have any hematuria and has a normal urine stream.

PE: His vital signs normal. He appears comfortable. His physical exam is entirely unremarkable other than the deformed appearance of his penis. There is no evidence of urinary retention, penile discharge or ulceration.

## ED Course:

Urology consultation via telephone was obtained and images of the penis were uploaded into the electronic medical chart for their review. The consulting urologist made the diagnosis of **delayed presentation of penile fracture leading to Peyronie's disease** and arranged for out-patient follow up the next week.

## Crooked Penis





## Questions:

- 1. Does this patient need an urgent urology consult?
- 2. 2. How did this happen?

## Answers:

- 1. No, see below.
- 2. Penile fracture typically occurs when the erect penis is forced against resistance leading to the rupture of the tunica albuginea. If Buck's fascia is not injured the swelling and ecchymosis are confined to the penile shaft. Acute penile fracture requires prompt urologic consultation. Depending on the extent of the injury, a urologist may repair of penile fracture by exposing the injured corpus cavernosum and repairing the separated tunica albuginea with absorbable sutures. Peyronie's disease is caused by scarring of the tunica albuginea connective tissue of the penis. This scarring can be caused by trauma to the penis shaft during intercourse or physical activity. Complications of this disorder include painful intercourse, erectile dysfunction and psychological effects such as sexual withdrawal. Men with significant erectile dysfunction refractory to medical therapy may require surgical therapy.