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PERSONAL HEALTH

The New Game of Operation

Below, some surgeries that doctors are rethinking and why. For more details—and what to do instead—see chart on page D4.

WISH BONE

BROKEN HEART

SPARE RIBS

BUTTERFLIES IN STOMACH

ANY ONE

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■ Kidney	■ Hernia	■ Back	■ Gums	■ Sinus
Often an organ injured in, say, a car accident, will recover on its own.	Sometimes puts patients out of commission for weeks.	Slicing into the back can speed up the onset of arthritis.	Dentist, blood, pain. Case closed.	Can leave so much scar tissue that it causes a whole new obstruction.

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