Men who have received therapy for prostate cancer often experience complications such as urinary obstruction or incontinence. Obstruction is often treated by using a spanner, which does not address incontinence and incontinence is treated with adult diapers, which does not address obstruction.

A University of Utah team has constructed a shortened urinary catheter that stays near the bladder that treats incontinence without obstructing the urethra. A unique, one-way pressure valve is operated by squeezing the penis, offering independent bladder control. The catheter, unlike Foley catheters, is entirely contained within the penis. This catheter can be removed monthly or bi-monthly in a clinic.

**FEATURES AND BENEFITS**
- Offers a one-way duckbill valve.
- Encloses the catheter within the penis.
- Provides independent bladder evacuation.
- Obviates the need for adult diapers, and potentially drug therapies.

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