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CARING FOR YOUR WOUND

Shave Biopsy Wound Care Instructions

Daily care for your biopsy site is as follows:

- Keep the bandage dry and in place for 24 hours.
- Unless instructed otherwise, remove bandage after 24 hours and cleanse the area with gentle soap and water, and gently pat the wound dry.
- Apply a thin layer of Vaseline, or Aquaphor, OR if prescribed, mupirocin 2% ointment directly onto the biopsy site.
- Apply another bandage to fully cover the wound as long as the wound has any drainage about 5-7 days.

You will receive your results in 7-10 business days and if you do not receive a phone call, please call our office for your results.

Suture Wound Care Instructions

Daily care for your surgical sites as follows:

- Keep the pressure dressing dry and in place for 24 hours.
- After 24 hours, remove the bandage, cleanse the area with gentle soap and water, and gently pat the wound dry.
- Apply a thin layer of Vaseline, or Aquaphor, OR if prescribed, mupirocin 2% ointment directly onto the sutures.
- Apply another bandage that will cover the wound and repeat wound care steps daily for 2 weeks.

Return to the office in 2 weeks for suture removal.

Electrodesiccation and Curettage (ED&C) Wound Care Instructions

Daily care for your treated wound:

- Remove bandage after 24 hours.
- Cleanse the wound with gentle soap and water and gently pat the wound dry.
- Apply a thin layer of Vaseline, or Aquaphor, OR if prescribed, mupirocin 2% ointment directly onto the wound.
- Cover the wound with a bandage and continue wound care for 1-2 weeks.

Healing time depends upon the surface and the site treated on the body; it sometimes takes up to 6-8 weeks. Please call our office with any questions or concerns.



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Normal expectations:

- Minor bleeding or oozing of sticky, yellow substance.
- Mild inflammation, swelling, or a pink/red ring around the wound.
- Minor pain (you can take acetaminophen if necessary).

Potential Complications:

- Excessive bleeding

-Prevention/Treatment

- Apply direct firm pressure for 15 minutes, if not resolved after 15 minutes, please contact the office.
- Unless prescribed by a physician, avoid NSAIDs.
- Avoid alcoholic beverages for 48 hours.
- No strenuous activity for 48 hours.

- Infection

Prevention/Treatment

- Keep the area clean and covered.
- If you are experiencing any of the following signs or symptoms:
Please contact the office at 610.525.3800.
 - Pus or drainage.
 - Bad smell coming from the wound.
 - Fever, chills.
 - Hot to touch.
 - Redness.
 - Pain or sore to touch.

Excessive pain, usually sudden onset

- Please contact us immediately.