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WOUND CARE

The following describes what to do after your biopsy or surgery:

- Take Tylenol as needed for pain.
- Keep bandage dry for 24 / 48 hours.
- After 24 / 48 hours, wash the area with warm water and a mild soap, apply Vaseline and cover with a Band Aid. KEEP THE AREA MOIST AND DO NOT ALLOW TO DRY! Please follow these instructions <u>daily</u> until proper healing has been achieved. You will not injure the wound site with this gentle cleansing.
- If your biopsy or surgery was around the eyes, nose or forehead, a black eye or swelling may occur. Apply a cold compress to the wound site to decrease swelling.

Please avoid the following to ensure a fast recovery:

- Avoid taking Aspirin, Ibuprofen, Motrin, Naprosyn, Goody's, etc. for 48 hours as these may thin the blood and cause bleeding.
- Avoid bending over with your head down. Sit over or bend your legs if you need to pick up something.
- Do not drive a car if we have given you a prescription for pain medication.

If you have any questions during office hours (8 am-4pm Monday thru Friday), <u>please call 704-784-5901</u> and ask to speak with your physician's assistants.

After 4 PM or in case of an emergency call 704-512-4266 and ask to page the Dermatologist- On Call for the Dermatology Group of the Carolinas.