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POST-OPERATIVE WOUND CARE INSTRUCTIONS

1. Leave dressing on dry surgical site for 12 hours. If sutures were used to close the wound, keep site as dry as possible (e.g.; showers only - no soaking) until sutures are removed.
2. Keep the site clean by removing the dressing and gently cleansing with hydrogen peroxide, rubbing alcohol or warm soapy water.
3. Apply *Petrolatum* to dry wound. If you run out of the sample given by the office, you may substitute an over the counter anti-biotic ointment.
4. Cover with sterile adhesive bandage strip. Your wound site should remain covered until it is healed.
5. Change the dressing 2-3 times a day for 7 days.

If bleeding occurs, apply constant pressure to wound site for 20 minutes. In the event of excessive swelling, prolonged redness, drainage or tenderness, be sure to call our office.

Pathology results will be available in approximately 12 days from the date of your surgery. We will notify you of your results.