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Post Procedure Instructions: **Wound Care - Curettage**

Today, you have had a procedure performed to remove a skin lesion. Please follow the instructions below:

AFTER PROCEDURE:

- If a pressure dressing has been applied, it should remain in place for twenty-four (24) hours.
- Should bleeding occur while bandaged or when the bandage is removed, apply direct pressure to the site for fifteen (15) minutes. This stops most bleeding. If the site continues to bleed, repeat for another fifteen (15) minutes. Call our office if you cannot stop the bleeding after the second attempt.
- The wound should be cleansed with soap and water using care not to scrub the site. Dry the site.
- Apply a thin film of Polysporin or other antibiotic prescribed by your physician. Cover with a sterile bandaid. This should be done at least once daily for up to fourteen (14) days. Rotate bandaids to avoid irritation.
- Observe the wound daily for signs of infection such as warmth to touch, extreme redness and swelling or oozing. Notify this office immediately if these symptoms arise.
- Full healing of this wound will take time, three to six months. Initially, it will be pink in color but the scar will turn white. It is important not to expose the scar to sunlight. You should apply sunscreen when out in the sun.
- Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact this office as soon as possible.

We want you to have an outstanding result. If you have any questions or unexpected concerns, please call the office for assistance.

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