



WOUND CARE INSTRUCTIONS

Care of surgical site without sutures:

After 24 hours, remove the bandage. Shower or bathe as usual, washing the surgery site with gentle soap and water. Pat dry and apply a thin layer of Vaseline. Cover the wound with a bandage, preferably one that seals on all sides of the wound. Repeat daily until the wound heals. This process can take 2 to 3 weeks depending on the size and location of the wound.

Care of surgical site with sutures:

After 24 hours, remove the bandage. Shower or bathe as usual, washing the surgery site with gentle soap and water. Pat dry and apply a thin layer of Vaseline. Cover the wound with a bandage, preferably one that seals on all sides of the wound. Repeat daily until the sutures are removed or dissolve.

Your sutures: _____ will dissolve in 7-10 days
_____ need to be removed in the office in _____ days

Care of liquid nitrogen site:

The site will become red, crusted, and might blister. If a blister forms you can leave it alone until it resolves, or you can sterilize a needle and puncture or pop the blister. Do not remove the skin after popping the blister, but clean the area with soap and water, apply Vaseline, and cover with a bandage. Repeat the wound care daily until the site heals, which can take up to two weeks. The wound may become red and the edges might pucker.

If you have any questions, or increasing pain, pus-filled drainage, or significant spreading of redness around the sites of any wound, please call the office at (856) 596-0111, or send us a text message via our website, www.hmgsderm.com. Your message or voicemail will be returned in 24 business hours.

For results:

Results of biopsies will be available in 2 weeks. If you need further treatment, we will call you and make sure that we speak to you on the phone. If you do not need further treatment, or if we have difficulty reaching you, you might receive a voice mail or a text message with the information. The text message will come from HMGS Dermatology, and you will need to enter your birth date in order to access the message.

Pathology Billing:

If Dr. Heymann reads your biopsy, a separate billing statement will be sent for that pathology. It may be identified as a laboratory service on your statement and it will also have a different date of service than your visit. This date of service reflects the date the slide was read.

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