

DERMATOLOGIC SURGERY

SKIN CARE INSTRUCTIONS

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SURGERY / BIOPSY CARE:

1. For **BIOPSY**, keep the dressing **CLEAN AND DRY** for 24 hours.
2. For **SURGERY**, keep the dressing **CLEAN AND DRY** for 48 hours.
3. After removing the dressing, you may shower or bathe carefully.
4. Once daily, gently clean the area with water then apply a small amount of **ANTIBIOTIC OINTMENT**, such as Polysporin ointment. Apply a dressing until the wound is healed.
5. Watch for signs of infection.
6. You will receive results of the biopsy at your return appointment, or you may call the office. We will contact you if the lesion requires any further treatment.

LIQUID NITROGEN / LASER SURGERY CARE:

1. For **LIQUID NITROGEN**, no special care is needed unless the site blisters. If the site blisters, follow the care instructions given below (steps 4 and 5).
2. For **LASER**, if a dressing is applied, keep it **CLEAN AND DRY** for 24 hours.
3. After removing the dressing, you may shower or bathe carefully.
4. Once daily, gently clean the area with water then apply a small amount of **ANTIBIOTIC OINTMENT**, such as Polysporin ointment. Apply a dressing until the wound is healed.
5. Watch for signs of infection.

SIGNS OF INFECTION:

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| 1. Swelling | 4. Heat |
| 2. Excessive tenderness | 5. Pus |
| 3. Redness or red streaks | 6. Drainage |

IF YOU NOTICE SIGNS OF INFECTION, PLEASE CONTACT DR. HODGKIN'S OFFICE
IN THE UNLIKELY EVENT YOU CAN NOT REACH THE OFFICE, PLEASE SEEK AN URGENT
CARE OR EMERGENCY ROOM PHYSICIAN.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT DR. HODGKIN'S OFFICE
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