Instructions for the Care of Your Surgery Site

- 1. The gauze dressing and tape applied immediately following the procedure should be left in place 48 hours.
- 2. You may notice bright red drainage on the dressing a few hours following the procedure. This is normal once the anesthetic has worn off. If the drainage soaks through the dressing and continues, please notify our office.
- 3. After 48 hours you may remove your dressings and get the surgery site wet.
- 4. To keep the incision lines clean, we suggest cleansing the area morning and evening for 7-14 days with the following:
 - Using a Q-tip or gauze pad, cleanse with hydrogen peroxide
 - Rinse with Normal saline or water
 - Apply a thin coat of advanced healing ointment
 - Cover with gauze and tape
- 5. Observe the site for signs of infection such as increasing warmth or redness compared to the surrounding skin. Call the office with these changes.
- 6. Please avoid any pressure directly over the surgery site (i.e. snug clothing or sleeping on the site for 14 days following the procedure).
- 7. Your follow-up appointment should be made for 1-2 weeks following the procedure.
- 8. If we have sent a specimen to the pathology lab, we will notify you with the results as soon as we receive them.

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