

Biopsy Wound Care Instructions

- Please leave your biopsy site covered until tomorrow. Keep the site clean and dry for the first 24 hours. If your bandage comes off before then, follow the instructions below.
- Wash the biopsy site once or twice daily with warm soapy water and then apply a fresh layer of Vaseline and a clean bandage. Do not use Neosporin. Keep the wound covered for one to two weeks. Wounds that are kept moist with Vaseline and covered will heal quicker and with less scarring.
- A small amount of bleeding and drainage is normal. If this continues past 3-4 days please call the office.
- If you notice spreading redness, increasing pain, or fevers please call the office. These could be signs of infection. Although rare, if it occurs an infection is most likely to present around days 5-7 after a biopsy.
- If you have sutures these will need to be removed. Sutures on the face are generally removed in one week. Sutures everywhere else are removed in 10-14 days. Please return to our office for suture removal at your scheduled time, or call our office if you do not have a suture removal visit scheduled.
- We will call you with biopsy results, which can take up to 2 weeks.
- Call us with any concerns you may have.

Thank you for trusting us with your care!