

Post Surgical Instructions

General Instructions after surgery

- You will need someone to drive you home following the procedure
- Before leaving you will be given instructions by the nurses and this will include: dressing care, showering, etc.
- Your surgeon will instruct you when to follow up in the office
- Report to your surgeon immediately any signs of infection: fever over 101 degrees, increased pain at wound not related to any activity, increased, cloudy and/or colored drainage from the wound, opening up of the wound, wound becomes hot, red and tender.
- Take pain medication as directed; it provides the best pain control. However, do not exceed maximum dosage or frequency. If you are having difficulty controlling pain, contact your doctor immediately.

Pathology Results

- In most cases results are available 7-10 days following surgery
- You will be contacted by our office when the results are available and your physician has reviewed them.

If you are admitted to the hospital following surgery the physician on call within our group will be seeing you while in the hospital, in some cases this may not be your surgeon.

If you have questions or concerns over the weekend or after business hours please call the office @ 815-744-0330 and the physician on call will assist you.