



Post-operative Care Following Hydrocele Surgery

You must not go home by yourself. Patients must be escorted home by a responsible adult and must remain in their care overnight and where possible 24 hours after the procedure.

- You may bathe and shower at any time 24 hours after the operation.
- The dressings are to 'stop ooze' from getting onto your clothes, so only a pad (not sterile) is necessary.
- If the pad sticks you may put Vaseline over the wound and stitches to avoid sticking.
- Some bruising, swelling and ooze from the wound is to be expected.
- The stitches will dissolve by themselves in 2-3 weeks.
- Expect to be uncomfortable for a few days until the swelling is resolved.
- You may take a mild painkiller, eg. Panadol or Panadeine Forte if you are really uncomfortable for a few days.
- No driving for 24 hours.
- You may be more comfortable wearing 2 pairs of jockey style briefs for support.
- Sexual activity can be resumed in 3-4 weeks.

Report any of the following to your surgeon:

- Temperature above 38
- Excessive pain or swelling
- Redness near your suture line
- Excessive wound discharge accompanied by an unpleasant odour.

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