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EAR, NOSE AND THROAT HEAD AND NECK SURGERY

## **POST-OPERATIVE CARE**

### **MINOR SKIN SURGERY**

**\*\*PLEASE SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS! REFER TO THEM BEFORE AND AFTER SURGERY\*\***

After minor skin procedures, expect the following to occur:

- 1) Mild oozing from the wound which can be controlled by applying pressure with a clean gauze or cloth. If the wound adhesive tapes become heavily soiled, they can be changed prior to your suture removal appointment, if desired. **Please call us** to arrange this.
- 2) Bruising around the wound may occur and is common in certain areas, such as the eyelids or crease between the cheek and nose/lips.
- 3) Only mild pain or discomfort, which usually can be relieved by Tylenol.  
**Reminder: Avoid all aspirin products for a period of five days following your procedure.**

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1) Keep the wound dry until instructed otherwise by your doctor.
- 2) You may remove the gauze bandage, if present, from the wound after 24 hours, but any adhesive tapes should remain in place until your next follow-up appointment.

#### **WARNING SIGNS:**

- 1) Excessive bleeding from wound.
- 2) Excessive swelling or pain.
- 3) Drainage of pus or any fluid other than oozing blood.
- 4) Increasing redness around wound.