

POST-PROCEDURE CARE - Repairs with an Outside Provider

• No lifting over 10 pounds, strenuous sports, exercising, physical therapy, or bending at the waist until cleared by our repairing provider.

• For areas on the face, head, or neck, chew softer food for 24–48 hours.

Bleeding

- A small amount of bleeding on the bandage is normal.
- If blood saturates the bandage, apply firm direct pressure with fingers or open palm directly over the bandage for 20 min.
- Do not use ice to apply pressure.

Tips

- Rest and minimize activity.
- You will experience swelling and possible bruising around the incision and surrounding areas.
- Apply an ice pack (wrapped in a lightweight towel) over the wound for 20 min at a time as often as you'd like.
- Take Tylenol (acetaminophen) as needed for pain.

When to call our office

- If bleeding does not stop after 20 min of firm pressure.
- If Tylenol does not relieve your pain.

For <u>emergency</u> after-hour issues, call (585) 222-1400. Press 1 for Dr. Ibrahim. Press 2 for Dr. Sipprell. You must leave a voicemail including the <u>patient's</u> full name, date of birth and best phone number to be reached.

You may send photos by texting (585) 449-4146 or emailing <u>info@rochesterdermsurgery.com</u> Please include the patient's full name, date of birth, and question or reason for inquiry. <u>These are monitored only during regular business hours.</u>