



## Post Care For Biopsy/Mole Removal

- Leave the bandage on for 24 hours and keep the area covered and dry.
- If you experience any discomfort, take Tylenol every 4 to 6 hours as needed. We recommend that you avoid aspirin, non steroidal anti-inflammatory agents such as Motrin or Advil, and avoid alcohol, as these increase the likelihood that you will bleed.
- If the dressing gets wet, change it.
- Clean the Biopsy or Mole Removal site once a day
  - Use 3% hydrogen peroxide or soap and water to gently cleanse the area and pat it dry.
  - Gently apply an antibiotic ointment to the biopsy site with a Q-tip.
  - Cover with a fresh band aid or telfa pad or leave open with ointment on the wound (especially for facial lesion).
  - Do not allow the site to dry out or form a scab, as this will slow healing. If necessary, re-cleanse and reapply ointment to maintain a moist environment.
  - When the surface of the skin has healed (approximately 4 to 10 days), wound care may be discontinued.
- It is normal for healing wounds to feel slightly tender to the touch and look pink around the edges. However, if after a few days it becomes increasingly red, swollen, painful, hot or develops a discharge, please call our office.