Care of the wound

The wound may be dressed after the operation; this dressing should be left in place for 24 hours, or longer if specified by the Doctor or Nurse.

It is important to keep the wound clean and usually dry.

Wound Care

The wound may be painful for 24-48 hours. If the pain is not improving after 48 hours please call in to see the Urgent care practitioner.

Likewise, if the wound becomes very red or starts to discharge pus, please call as soon as possible to see the Urgent care practitioner.

Do not wait until you are due to have your stitches removed.

Wound Care

Scarring

All minor surgery will leave some degree of scarring. The degree of this will vary from person to person and cannot be predicted.

If you have any concerns about scarring it is very important that you discuss this with the Doctor before you have your minor operation.

If you have any questions or worries about the procedure please ask your Doctor.

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Drs Stephen White, Kaiser Chaudhri, Melanie Walsh, Joanne Murray, Nidghtta Anjan & Anitha Rangaswamy.

Removal of minor skin lesions, lumps and bumps



<u>Please Note</u> that these procedures are carried out for medical reasons only.

We do not carry out procedures for cosmetic reasons.

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MINOR SURGERY

(Removal of minor skin lesions, lumps and bumps)

The doctors at the surgery are able to remove -

Skin lumps

Cysts

Moles

Skin tags

If you are concerned about any of these or wish to have them removed then please make an appointment with one of the Doctors to discuss your requirements.

The doctors who do the procedures are -

Dr Melanie Walsh
Dr Anitha Rangaswamy.

Minor surgery is a relatively painless and fairly quick procedure which generally takes 20 to 30 minutes.

Most procedures are carried out using local anaesthetic (an injection given around the site of the operation similar to that used by Dentists). This will initially sting a little but this quickly stops. If you have had a bad reaction to local anaesthetic in the past it is very important that you inform us.

You should not feel any pain during the procedure but may be aware of a sensation of pressure. If you do feel any pain during the procedure please inform the Doctor immediately.





Most of the minor surgery carried out at the surgery involves the removal of lumps and bumps. Once the lump has been removed the skin will be closed using a few stitches; these will have to be removed at a time specified by the Doctor. All specimens removed are sent to the laboratory for examination.

The local anaesthetic lasts approximately 2 hours.

The wound may therefore start to become a little painful after this period of time. We recommend that you take some simple pain killers such as Paracetamol once you get home.