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BIOPSY WOUND CARE INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. You may shower normally and get the wound wet. Cleanse the wound with soap and water once a day.
- 2. Apply an over the counter antibiotic ointment such as Bacitracin or Polysporin, or if advised, a special ointment called Mupirocin. Do this in the morning and again at bedtime.
- 3. Cover the wound with a Band-Aid. Cover the wound for one to two weeks as advised by your doctor. **Covered wounds heal with a better cosmetic result**. If you notice irritation from the use of Band-Aids, discontinue use. Some patients develop an irritant or allergic reaction to Band-Aids. In this case, paper tape and telfa gauze is a preferred dressing.
- 4. It is normal for the biopsy site to be a little red. If you notice any signs of infection such as fever, foul smelling drainage, or marked redness, swelling and a pain in a treated area, call our office immediately. In addition, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact our office at 212-962-1115.