

## Urethroplasty

Urethroplasty is the surgical repair of the urethra. You may need this surgery to repair strictures or if there is trauma to the urethra such as a pelvic fracture.

### After Surgery

You will have swelling, bruising, and spotty bleeding from the penis. The stitches will dissolve in about two weeks. You will likely go home with a catheter in your bladder.

### Activity

- Keep your wound clean and dry.
- You may shower 2 days after surgery. Shower with your back to water as much you can.
- Do not soak in a bathtub, hot tub, or swimming pool for 2 weeks.
- After the catheter is removed, wait 2 weeks before having sex.
- Nothing strenuous for 2 weeks after the catheter is removed or until okayed by your doctor.

### When to Call

- Increased redness or tenderness after the first 24 hours.
- Pus or blood from the wound. It is normal to have some bloody drainage and/or mucus from around the catheter.
- Pain not controlled by pain pills.
- Fever over 100.5°F, taken by mouth for 2 readings, taken 4 hours apart.

If you are a patient receiving care at UnityPoint – Meriter, Swedish American or a health system outside of UW Health, please use the phone numbers provided in your discharge instructions for any questions or concerns.

Your health care team may have given you this information as part of your care. If so, please use it and call if you have any questions. If this information was not given to you as part of your care, please check with your doctor. This is not medical advice. This is not to be used for diagnosis or treatment of any medical condition. Because each person's health needs are different, you should talk with your doctor or others on your health care team when using this information. If you have an emergency, please call 911. Copyright © 4/2020. University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics Authority. All rights reserved. Produced by the Department of Nursing HF#6224

- Problems with the catheter.
- Trouble passing urine.

### Who to Call

UW Health Urology  
**608-263-4757**

UW Health East Madison Hospital Urology  
**608-440-6464**

UW Health One South Park Urology  
**608-287-2900**

After hours, nights, weekends, and holidays, the clinic number will be answered by the paging operator. Ask for the urology doctor on call. Leave your name and phone number with the area code. The doctor will call you back.

The toll-free number is **1-844-607-4800**.

Your medical record number is \_\_\_\_\_.