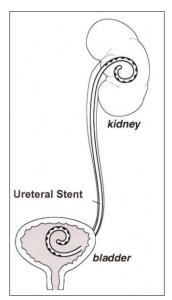
# Health Facts for You



# **Ureteroscopy (URS)**

Ureteroscopy involves putting a small scope into your ureter (the passage from the bladder to the kidney) through the bladder. This is done to look at the ureter and/or treat certain problems of the ureter. Handling the ureter can sometimes cause swelling, so a very small, hollow stent (tube) may be left in place for several days. This depends on the reason for the procedure. The stent allows the urine to keep flowing. You will need to come back to the clinic to have the stent taken out.



### **Day of Surgery**

Shower with the antibacterial soap as directed before you leave for the hospital.

#### **Home Care**

#### Diet

- Resume your normal eating habits.
- Drink at least 6-8 (8 oz) glasses of fluid daily. Try to drink most of this before dinner, so you are not up all-night passing urine.
- Do not drink alcohol for 2 days.

#### **Activity**

You may resume your normal routine, but rest if you have pain or blood in the urine.

#### Medicine

Take pain pills as prescribed. Take all of your antibiotic if you were prescribed one.

# **Passing Urine**

You may go home with a stent. It may feel like you have to pass urine more often or it may cause a burning feeling in the bladder. This will lessen with time. You may have blood in your urine.

## Follow-Up Care

You will have a follow-up visit with your doctor. If you have a stent, it is very important that you not miss or delay your follow-up visit.

#### When to Call

Call your doctor if you have:

- Trouble passing urine
- Large blood clots in the urine
- Pain not relieved by pain pills
- Cloudy or foul-smelling urine
- Red or bloody urine after 3 days
- A fever over 100.5° F, taken by mouth.

Your urology doctor is:

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** 

UW Health Pediatric Urology **608-263-6420** 

After hours, nights, weekends, and holidays, the clinic number is 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.

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