

Adult Circumcision Care

Circumcision is surgery to remove the skin that covers the head of the penis (the foreskin). Most people go home the same day as the surgery.

You may have swelling, bruising, and spotty bleeding around the incision. These symptoms typically improve over several days.

Keep the pressure-dressing on your penis as instructed by your doctor. Change the outer dressing if it becomes soiled. You may be told to remove the dressing after 24 hours.

Keep your wound clean and dry. You may shower 48 hours after surgery. **Do not** soak in a bathtub, hot tub, whirlpool tub, or swimming pool for two weeks after surgery.

You will have some small stitches that will dissolve on their own over time.

Follow Up

You will have a follow-up visit in the Urology Clinic in 14 days for wound check.

When to Call

- Increased redness, swelling, bruising or pain.
- Thick, foul smelling or colored drainage.
- Bleeding that requires frequent dressing changes.
- Pain not controlled with recommended pain medicine.
- Fevers > 101° F or chills.
- Difficult or inability to urinate.

Who to Call

If you have questions, please contact your provider through MyChart or call your provider listed in your After Visit Summary or After Hospital Care Plan.

For a list of UW Health Clinics, please visit www.uwhealth.org/.