

After Care Instructions for Biopsy Sites

1. Leave the dressing in place for 24 hours following your biopsy.
2. After the 24 hour period, remove the outer bandages - there are special medicated gauze pieces which will fall off with the removal of the dressing. If this gauze is stuck to the wound, wet the area generously and the gauze can be removed without trauma to the wound.
3. Once the dressing has been removed,
 - a. Begin DAILY cleansing of the wound with a gentle cleanser (such as Cetaphil, Dove, etc.) - please do NOT use hydrogen peroxide, rubbing alcohol, etc.
 - b. Apply a very thin layer of bland healing ointment (Vanicream, Vaseline, Aquaphor, etc.) - we prefer that Bacitracin, Neosporin and other medicated ointments be avoided
 - c. After the initial 24 hours, the wound can be left open to heal
 - d. DO NOT PICK at your scab as this leads to scarring
4. Tylenol or Advil (at recommended doses) may be used for discomfort.
5. Please follow any extra instructions given by the staff such as elevation, resting the body part, etc.
6. Watch for any signs or symptoms of infection such as redness, red streaks, pus, increased pain or swelling, or fever. Please call us at 541-200-2777 if you notice any of these so you may be evaluated and treated for possible infection.

To: Patients who have had a surgical procedure, or tissue collected for biopsy examination:

Your doctor is sending a specimen to CTA Pathology for diagnostic pathology.

CTA Pathology will work closely with your dermatologist and will process your specimen for microscopic examination and evaluation. The report from the pathologist is sent to your physician, who will keep you informed.

You will receive one bill that covers the examination and diagnosis of the specimen submitted.

CTA's services are billed to most insurances and is done in-house at CTA.
Self-pay fee rates are available to patients that qualify.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your bill please feel free to call us Monday - Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm at (503) 906-7300 or email us at info@ctapathology.com

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