

care instructions after hypospadias repair

pain control

- Most boys will have little pain for 6-8 hours after surgery
- Please alternate acetaminophen (Tylenol) with ibuprofen (Motrin) every 3-4 hours. You may give one medication followed by the other 3-4 hours later. Start right when you get home to help keep pain from starting.
- If your child is playful and acting “normal”, you can assume he is comfortable.

diet

- Nausea/vomiting is not unusual after the operation.
- Please start with liquids. If tolerated, slowly add food.
- He may have a regular diet the day after the surgery.

bathing

The surgeon will provide instructions on bathing.

dressing

- Your son will have a dressing wrapped around his penis which may be removed after 2 days. The dressing may fall off on its own.
- Do not worry if dressing falls off early.
- If you have trouble removing the dressing, call the office.
- After dressing comes off, please apply bacitracin, Neosporin, or Vaseline to prevent penis from sticking to diaper for 5-7 days.
- There may be increased swelling once dressing comes off.

activity

- Your child should avoid straddle toys (if possible) for two weeks.
- Otherwise, no restrictions.
- Remember – the diaper offers great protection.



care of the tube (if present)

- Some boys will have a tube left in their penis. The tube will be left in place for a variable length of time (between 2-14 days) depending on the type of surgery performed.
- Sometimes, the tube falls out early. Call the office if this happens.
- Boys with tubes left in will be on antibiotics until the tube is removed.
- Surgeon will provide instructions on bathing.

Call for any questions. Our office number is 937-641-3466. We are available Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

