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.