



Circumcision Instructions

What is a Circumcision: Boys are born with a piece of skin, called the foreskin, covering the tip of the penis. A circumcision is the removal of this foreskin. Your child must be healthy and stable to be circumcised.

WHAT TO BRING?

- **IMPORTANT!!** Please make sure the baby is added to your insurance **PRIOR** to your Circumcision appt
- Do not feed your baby 1 hour prior to the procedure-this is to prevent choking
- You MAY give your baby Infant Tylenol 1 hour prior to the circumcision (**please check with your Pediatrician for dosing recommendations**)
- Extra set of clothes
- Pacifier
- Diapers
- Wipes
- Petroleum Jelly (you will need this after for the healing process)
- 4 x 4 Gauze (you will need this after for the healing process)
- Be prepared to feed your baby after the procedure, we will provide a room for you.

Risks: Circumcision may result in or cause bleeding, an infection or other injury to your child's penis however if you follow your Physicians instructions, you are not likely to have any problems as a circumcision is usually a very safe procedure.

What will happen: Your baby will be placed on a padded board with straps. His arms and legs will be restrained to prevent him from moving during the procedure. Your baby will receive numbing or pain medication prior to the circumcision. A special clamp is applied to the penis and the foreskin is removed. Petroleum jelly and gauze will be applied to the penis after the procedure. The nurse will observe the baby for any abnormal bleeding and the baby will be returned to you as soon as the nurse determines the baby is stable.

Post Circumcision care: Your baby will be returned with petroleum on a gauze. DO NOT scrub the area. Continue re-applying the petroleum and gauze that has been provided for 72 hours. The petroleum gauze prevents the diaper from rubbing and sticking to the penis. The penis may appear raw and tender initially and ooze a small amount of blood. This is NORMAL. You may notice a small amount of yellow drainage during the first week. This is part of the healing process.

Seek Immediate Care if:

- If you think bleeding is excessive
- Your child has not urinated in 6-8 hours after the circumcision
- The urine stream comes out in dribbles or the stream is weak
- The penis appears blue or black above the circumcision site
- You think the baby has a temperature or the temp is 99.8° or greater under the arm

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____