

Instructions for Minor Wound Care

1. **After 24 hours**, you may cleanse the area with mild soap and water each day.
2. Pat wound dry with gauze and apply a thin coat of antibiotic ointment. Use for 5 days only, and then discontinue.
DO NOT USE NEOSPORIN OR HYDROGEN PEROXIDE
(We recommend using Aquaphor)
3. Cover with a band-aid or a small non-stick gauze dressing with a non-allergic tape, until healed.
4. If bleeding should occur, **apply 20 minutes of constant pressure.**
5. **For uncontrolled bleeding emergencies, please call our office at 423-702-6899.** After office hour calls will be answered by the Physician's answering service. They will notify the provider on call as needed.
6. **No Smoking** until the wound is healed. Smoking constricts blood vessels and this could cause your biopsy site to not heal properly.

CONTACT OUR CLINIC IMMEDIATELY IF:

- You have questions or concerns about your biopsy. **For biopsy results, please call our office at 423-702-6899 after 3 business days.**
- You notice any new moles or skin bumps.
- Any existing moles change in any way.
- You develop a sore that will not heal.

SCAR THERAPY

Once sutures are removed (if applicable), please stop by our Aesthetics department to purchase your Strataderm Scar Gel for \$35. SCCDC offers complimentary consultations with our licensed Aesthetician to discuss and customize your scar therapy options. As Scar Therapy is not covered by insurance, SCCDC absorbs the majority of the cost leaving the patient portion at only \$75/treatment.

Thank you for trusting Skin Cancer & Cosmetic Dermatology Center for all your skin care needs.