

# Gentle Circumcision

## Aftercare instructions for your son

\*\*\* If you have any concerns, please call our office. WE SPECIALIZE IN CIRCUMCISIONS. We cannot be responsible for medical advice given by outside providers since over-treatment may result.

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## Medications:

- Your son will be taking acetaminophen and ibuprofen for the first 24 hours. You will receive a medication list with the time of each dose.
- An antibiotic ointment has been prescribed for your son. You will need to apply this around the ring, every diaper change.

## Cleaning the area:

- Do not bathe your son until the ring has fallen off.
- You may clean the area with a baby wipe and/or a washcloth.
- After you clean him, apply the antibiotic ointment around the ring.

## Bleeding:

- Small spots of blood on his diaper/underwear is **normal**.
- Immediately contact our office if you see **continuous bleeding**/larger than a quarter size amount of blood.

## Bruising/Swelling:

- Bruising and swelling is completely normal. It's due to the administration of the local anesthesia. It usually takes 7-10 days to fade away.

## Mandatory Follow up Appointment:

- Your son is scheduled for a **mandatory** follow up appointment on: \_\_\_\_\_  
**It cannot be rescheduled.**
- There is no additional fee for this appointment. If this appointment is missed, you will be charged a \$50 fee to be seen at a later date.
- Only your son and two adults are permitted in the office. No other children are allowed in consideration to our newborn patients who can be exposed to viruses.

## Most frequently asked questions/concerns:

- **I think my son has a blister on the area:**  
*You will notice a yellow or gray bubble which is caused by a medication (silver nitrate) which we use in the procedure room to stop the bleeding. This scar will become dry, hard and black, then it will fall off by itself (similar to the belly button) within 2 weeks.*
- **Why does it look infected?:**  
*It is normal if the area turns yellow. This does **not** mean infection. The area will clear up within 2 weeks.*
- **Why does it look like the ring is starting to fall off?:**  
*The ring is designed to fall off within 7 days. This is part of the healing the process. If it does not fall off, the doctor will remove it on your follow up appointment.*

## Call our office immediately if:

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- Your son is bleeding continuously.
- Swelling increases after 3 days.
- Plastic ring does not fall within 10 days.
- You notice foul smelling discharge.
- Your son's temperature is 101° or greater.