

**MACOMB FOOT, ANKLE & WOUND CARE CENTER**  
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**POST-SURGICAL INSTRUCTIONS**

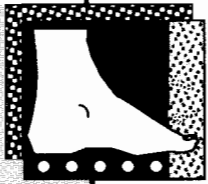
A SURGICAL PROCEDURE HAS JUST BEEN PERFORMED. THE AMOUNT OF DISCOMFORT AND SWELLING VARY FROM PATIENT TO PATIENT. THEREFORE, PLEASE FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

1. While returning home from surgery:
  - a. Sit sideways in the back seat of the car with the surgical foot elevated.
  - b. Have you prescription (s) filled immediately?
2. Remain quiet and off your feet for the first 24 hours. Place a pillow under the calf of your leg so that the surgical foot is elevated.
3. Place an ice bag over the surgical area 10 minutes out of every half hour. This should only be necessary for the first 24 hours after surgery.
4. **DO NOT** change your bandages. Leave bandages on unless otherwise advised by your doctor.
5. **DO NOT** use hot water bags or electric heating pads on your foot (feet).
6. Keep operative area completely dry. If the bandage accidentally gets wet, dry immediately with an absorbent towel and call this office.
7. Your bandages may become somewhat bloody. Should this occur, do not become alarmed. However, if there is active and persistent bleeding, call office at once.
8. Keeping the foot elevated can help throbbing. If the throbbing persists, and the pain medication does not help the throbbing, call the office.
9. Nausea and light-headedness sometimes occurs due to the medication. If this happens, please call the office. Abstain from the use of alcoholic beverages while taking medications.
10. Limit walking to your tolerance but keep it down to a minimum. Stay off your feet as much as possible. Wear your surgical shoe (shoes) when walking if a surgical shoe (shoes) is dispensed to you. **DO NOT** take any steps without the shoe (shoes).
11. Should you bump or otherwise injure your foot or the surgical site in any way, notify this office immediately.
12. If temperature goes over 101 degrees Fahrenheit, call the office.
13. Your next appointment is \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Should you incur any other problems not discussed in these instructions, please phone immediately the following telephone number until you reach your doctor or a member of his staff.

**24 HOUR NUMBER IS 586-979-0560**

I hereby certify by my signature that the above instructions were fully explained to me, that to the best of my ability I will endeavor to follow such instructions and should any problems arise, I will contact Macomb Foot, Ankle & Wound Care Center, immediately.

**SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_



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## POST-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR NAIL

A SURGICAL PROCEDURE HAS JUST BEEN PERFORMED. THE AMOUNT OF DISCOMFORT AND SWELLING VARY FROM PATIENT TO PATIENT. THEREFORE, PLEASE FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

1. YOUR BANDAGES MAY BECOME SOMEWHAT BLOODY. SHOULD THIS OCCUR, **DO NOT BECOME ALARMED.**
2. LEAVE THE DRESSING INTACT FOR AT LEAST THREE HOURS.
3. AFTER THE ORIGINAL DRESSING IS REMOVED, APPLY THE PRESCRIPTION CREAM TO THE AREA AND COVER WITH A BANDAID. THIS SHOULD BE REPEATED EACH MORNING AND NIGHT.
4. YOU SHOULD EXPERIENCE LITTLE TO NO DISCOMFORT. IF DISCOMFORT OCCURS, SOAK YOUR TOE AS FOLLOWS: DISSOLVE ONE TABLESPOON OF BAKING SODA IN ONE QUART OF WATER. REPEAT THIS AS OFTEN AS NECESSARY. AFTER SOAKS APPLY CREAM TO TOE AND COVER WITH A BANDAID.
5. YOU MAY PROCEED WITH ALL YOUR NORMAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING SHOWERING, BATHING THE DAY OF THE SURGERY.
6. IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS WHATSOEVER, CONTACT US IMMEDIATELY. WE HAVE AN ANSWERING MACHINE FOR AFTER HOURS.

DOCTOR COLEMAN'S 24 HOUR NUMBER IS (586) 979-0560

7. YOUR NEXT APPOINTMENT IS \_\_\_\_\_.

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