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## **Wound Care Instructions following Biopsy**

## **Shave biopsy**

- 1. After 24 hours remove the band-aid that was applied at the time of your procedure.
- 2. Clean the site with soap and water.
- **3.** Apply Vaseline to the site for the next 7 days. Do your best to prevent scab formation. If a scab does form gently remove it.
- **4.** If your site becomes red, warm, painful, begins to drain, or if you develop a fever of 101° F or greater, please contact us.
- **5.** Biopsy reports can take up to 1-2 weeks, we will contact you as soon as we have the results. If you don't hear from us within two weeks feel free to contact us as a courtesy reminder.

## **Punch biopsy**

- 1. After 24 hours remove the band-aid that was applied at the time of your procedure.
- **2.** Clean the site gently with soap and water.
- 3. After cleaning the site apply Vaseline and a band-aid. Do your best to prevent scab formation.
- **4.** Repeat this procedure daily until you return for your follow up suture removal visit.
- **5.** If you notice any bleeding apply firm pressure for 20 minutes straight using a dry towel or washcloth. If the bleeding does not stop, then contact us.
- **6.** If your site becomes red, warm, painful, begins to drain, or if you develop a fever of 101° F or greater, please contact us.
- **7.** Biopsy reports can take up to 1-2 weeks, we will call you as soon as we have the results. If you don't hear from us within two weeks feel free to contact us as a courtesy reminder.