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Post-Operative Instructions for Chemical Matrixectomy & Nail Procedures

- Watch for signs of infections i.e. pain, redness, swelling, pus, red streaking up your foot and or leg, fever or chills. If you should develop any of the above, call office immediately at 419-423-1888 and tell the person answering the phone that you recently had surgery and your symptoms. If you call after hours the answering service will contact Doctor immediately.
- 24-48 hours after surgery remove bandages and bathe as normal. Scrub the surgical site with soap and water. Dry the area and apply Amerigel (preferred and supplied by our office; alternative is Neosporin) to the operative site and cover with accommodative dressings.
- Your toe will be numb for approximately 4 to 5 hours. Begin taking extra-strength Tylenol, Advil, or the prescription written by the doctor. Take the prescription for the first few days whether you have pain or not. Follow the instructions on the label on the bottle. If this does not help with the pain, you may want to call the office at 419-423-1888. If it is after hours the doctor will be paged.

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