

DERMABOND AFTERCARE

A special skin glue called Dermabond was used to hold your wound together. Dermabond is a liquid skin adhesive that holds open wounds or incision sites together by gluing the skin edges together. Improperly caring for the Dermabond film increases the risk of scarring, infection and prolonging healing times. The film will naturally fall off as your wound heals.

How to care:

- 1. Keep the wound dry and do not shower for the first 24 hours after the procedure.
- 2. Do not pick, scratch or rub the glue on the wound, so it does not loosen before the wound heals.
- 3. Do not soak your wound in water until the glue film falls off. Avoid swimming or using a hot tub while the glue is in place.
- 4. When you shower or bathe, let the water run over the wound but do not rub.
- 5. Pat the wound gently with a soft towel to dry.
- 6. Do not apply any cream, lotion or ointment.
- 7. Do not apply any tape, sticky dressing or alcohol to the glue site for the first 7 to 10 days
- 8. If the wound gets wet, gently blot the wound dry with a soft towel. Do not soak or scrub the wound

Signs of infection may include:

- 1. Increasing redness around the wound.
- 2. Increasing pain or tenderness.
- 3. Yellow or green discharge or drainage from the wound.
- 4. Increased swelling.
- 5. Foul odor from the wound.
- 6. Fever.
- 7. Red streaks that start at the wound and travel towards the body.

If you experience excessive pain, swelling or believe you may have an infection please call our office directly at (949) 706-1469. If you are experiencing a medical emergency dial 911.