

# Dr. Hall's Wound Care Instructions Following Breast Biopsy

#### Activity

Proceed with your normal activities as tolerated. Do not overexert yourself and do not lift anything heavy following the biopsy that could risk the wound coming apart.

## Wound Care

After breast biopsy Steri-strips are used to bring the small wound together. A pressure dressing is then applied on top.

- Steri-strips
  - Remove the top, pressure dressing in 1 day and shower. Do not submerge the wound in a bath for 2 weeks. No swimming for 2 weeks.
  - Wash the wound with regular soap and water daily.
  - No need to apply any ointments or lotions.
  - The Steri-strips will fall off after several weeks. If they have not fallen off in 2 weeks, it is okay to remove them.

#### **Pain Control**

Please take Acetaminophen 500 mg every 6 hours or Ibuprofen 400 mg every 6 hours as needed for pain control. These can be alternated for improved pain control. Opiate medications are not typically required for these procedures.

## **Follow Up and Results**

Follow up in our clinic in 1 week to discuss your pathology results unless otherwise instructed. If there are any problems or questions after the procedure, please call our office at (731) 422-0304.