



Dr. Hall's Wound Care Instructions Following Abscess Drainage

Activity

Proceed with your normal activities as tolerated. Do not overexert yourself. Please let our nurses know if a work excuse is required.

Wound Care

- Remove the packing on the day after the abscess is drained in the shower. The water hitting the wound will help numb the area while the packing is removed.
- Wash the area with soap and water daily.
- Change the dressing at least twice daily or as needed for drainage.
- The wound may need to be packed daily depending on the size of the wound. Please make sure to confirm with your surgeon if this is required.
- If an antibiotic is prescribed, please take them until they are gone. If the particular antibiotic is expensive based on your insurance plan, please call our office so a cheaper alternative can be prescribed.

Pain Control

Please take Acetaminophen 500 mg every 6 hours or Ibuprofen 400 mg every 6 hours as needed for pain control. Opiate medications are not typically required for in-office procedures.

Follow Up and Results

Follow up in our clinic in 3 weeks to evaluate the wound. If there are any problems or questions after surgery, please call our office at (731) 422-0304.