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**Instructions after Surgical Removal / Biopsy of Lesion / Cyst / Mole
with Dressing**

1. Keep dressing dry. If dressing gets wet, remove it, and replace with another dry dressing.
2. Leave dressing in place for 48-72 hrs.
3. Inspect wound at dressing change for signs of infection i.e. redness, pain or discharge. Consult your G.P. if you have any concerns.
4. If bleeding occurs apply pressure to the wound with a clean towel. Reinforce wound with another dressing. If bleeding persists seek medical advice, contact your GP or South Doc, or attend your local Emergency Department.
5. Return to your G.P practice for removal of sutures on -- /-- /--.
6. A copy of biopsy results will be forwarded to both you and your referring doctor.
7. The local anaesthetic effect will last 1 -2 hours. You may be supplied with a prescription for painkillers on leaving the hospital or you may take painkillers such as paracetamol or anti-inflammatory tablets to help with any pain you may experience. Ask your pharmacist for assistance if needed
8. Leave steri-strips in situ until they fall off in about a week