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## **Post-biopsy Wound Care Instructions** **(Punch with Sutures)**

Today you had a skin biopsy done at The Dermatology Clinic.

Leave the bandage in place for 24 hours. After 24 hours, remove the bandage and clean with gentle soap and water. Please clean the site with soap and water at least daily. Apply Vaseline or Aquaphor ointment to the site at least once or twice daily.

After the first 24 hours, you may leave the site uncovered or, if you choose, you may cover it with a new bandage.

If a scab develops over the biopsy site, please do not pick it off.

Please keep the area protected from the sun with sun screen or protective clothing, such as a hat.

Please return to the office to have the sutures removed in \_\_\_\_\_ days.

If you develop increasing pain, redness, or drainage at the site, or any other concerns, please contact us.

You should receive your biopsy results generally within 7 days (either at a return visit or by phone). If you do not receive your results within 2 weeks it is important that you contact us.

**Thank you !**