**DR. JENKINS’ POSTOPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR**

**PENILE IMPLANT SURGERY on a Tuesday**

**YOU ARE TO EXPECT**

* Small amounts of drainage on your dressings
* Pain, tenderness, swelling and bruising for several days after your surgery.
* Nausea may be experienced the day of your operation after you return home.
* You should already have prescriptions for pain medicine and antibiotics.
* You should already have an appointment for a post-operative visit with Dr. Jenkins within the first 2 weeks after your surgery.

**INSTRUCTIONS**

* Friday - Remove the drain by removing the dressing and then cutting the blue stitch securing it in place. After the stitch is cut gently, pull the drain, it is approx 8-12 inches long on the inside.
* Remove the wrap dressing Wednesday midday.
* If the scrotal dressing becomes soiled, replace it with a similarly sized clean gauze dressing but you do not have to wrap.
* Keep the scrotal support on for at least one week.
* Position your penis upwards on your abdomen as much as possible.
* For 2-3 days, place an ice pack inside the scrotal support (not directly in contact with skin).
* Drink plenty of fluids.
* Eat lightly the remainder of the day of surgery, then return to normal diet as tolerated.
* Make sure your bowels function normally since pain medications can cause constipation. You may need to use stool softeners such as MiraLax to help your bowels function normally.
* Finish your antibiotics completely.
* You may shower on Thursday, but avoid tub baths for 2 full weeks.
* You may walk around the home and upstairs immediately, but carefully.
* When sitting, raise your legs.
* Do not lift any heavy objects (greater than 15 lbs) for at least 2 weeks after surgery.

**CALL FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS**

* Fevers over 101 degrees.
* Excessive drainage from your wound, especially blood or pus
* Pain or scrotal swelling that is not improving after the first week following surgery
* Redness around the wound.

**CONTACT NUMBERS**

* For questions during office hours (Mon-Fri 8am-4:00) call 504-988-5271.
* For any emergency questions on weekends/outside of office hours, call 504-988-5263for answering service and a provider will get back to you**.**