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## ***PATIENT INFORMATION SERIES***

### **1. BIOPSY CARE**

- You have had a skin biopsy. It will take one week to analyze the tissue.
- Take the Band-Aid or other dressing off in 24 hours. Band-Aids are recommended but not required after that. Change them daily but if they get wet change immediately.
- You should gently clean the site with **HYDROGEN PEROXIDE** and then apply **BACITRACIN** or **POLYSPORIN OINTMENT**. You can use triple antibiotic ointment but **DO NOT** use Neosporin or anything else with Neomycin in it.
- You can also use **AQUAPHOR** to get biopsy sites to heal more quickly.
- Repeat this process two times per day. You can also simply rinse the area in the shower if it is on your back or in another difficult to reach area.
- If the site bleeds, apply continuous, firm pressure with a clean gauze pad for five minutes. Repeat if necessary.
- Call the office in if any redness or discomfort occurs at the site or if you still have any questions.
- Please call the office in one week to check the results of your biopsy.
- If you have a question about the bill from the lab that processes the specimen and interprets the results, please call them directly.