

## Circumcision Pre and Post Care

Thank you for choosing Logan Health Pediatric Surgery to provide care for your son. We would like to provide you with pre/post circumcision information so that you can be prepared on the day of your son's procedure.

We perform in-office circumcisions for infants less than 2 months of age. In the office your son will be given local anesthesia to numb his penis prior to circumcision. During the procedure itself we will ask guardians to wait in the waiting room so that we can maintain sterility. You should expect the entire visit to last about 1 hour.

Prior to your son's procedure you will meet with the provider. They will review your son's medical history, explain the circumcision procedure and give guardians an opportunity to ask questions. If your son has not received his Vitamin K shot following birth we cannot do his circumcision in the office. This is a medication given following birth that prevents bleeding. In the United States it is standard of care to provide this medication.

## Finances

Each patient's medical insurance covers in-office circumcisions at a different rate. We recommend you contact your insurance company prior to the procedure to determine what your personal out-of-pocket cost will be.

## PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT

- Please give your son a full feeding of formula or breast milk immediately prior to appointment.
- Give your son over-the-counter Acetaminophen (Tylenol). You can follow the dosing on the packaging or administer weight based dosing.
  - o Acetaminophen: 15 mg/kg/dose every 6 hours
- · Please bring your child's pacifier if they take one.

## **POST-OPERATIVE CARE**

- Your son's penis will have sterile glue on it. This will flake off over a period of 1-2 weeks. Avoid picking at this as it can result in bleeding.
- Please do not apply bacitracin or Vaseline to penis as it can degrade the sterile glue.
- It is normal for your son to experience mild discomfort for the first 24 hours following his procedure. Please given him over-the-counter Acetaminophen (Tylenol) at the recommended dosing (15mg/kg/dose) \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  This can be given every 6 hours. Please do not give your infant Ibuprofen.
- It is okay to give your infant sponge baths, but do not soak the genital area in water for 1 week following his circumcision.
- It is normal if your son has specks of blood in his diaper for 1-2 days after surgery. If he is having any persistent bleeding please call our office at (406) 758-7490.
- No post-operative follow up is necessary unless you have any questions or concerns.

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