



Urology Department

Hypospadias Repair - After stent or catheter removal

Information for parents and carers

When you go home after removal of dressings and stent / catheter:

 The wound may be uncomfortable for a few days and your child will probably find it painful passing urine (having a wee). He can be given Calpol (or other paracetamol suspension).

Do not exceed the dosage recommend for your child's age

- To help your child stay comfortable, we suggest he wears loose fitting clothing, e.g. pyjamas, jogging bottoms.
- If he is still in nappies, they need to be changed regularly to prevent urine (wee) from infecting the wound. His nappy should be left off for as long as possible to prevent wound infections and any rubbing, which can cause bleeding.
- You may be given some antibiotic ointment to put on your child's penis (willy). This
 should be applied three times a day for one week after the dressing comes off. The
 ointment helps prevent infection and helps stop the penis from sticking to the nappy.
- Your child's penis will be swollen and red for at least two weeks but the swelling will settle down in time.
- Because of the swelling, when passing urine (having a wee) the stream of urine (wee) may be "sprayed". Do not worry, as this is quite normal at first.
- Your child can bath or shower as normal. Bathing in the first few days following the removal of dressings can help to reduce pain and while having a wee. It may be easier for your child to have a wee in the bath.
- If the wound starts bleeding (and is more than a trickle) telephone the Urology Nurses on on 0151 252 5852 for advice. They may recommend that you bring your child to the Accident & Emergency department.
- If your child has not passed urine (had a wee) for 12 hours, despite drinking plenty of fluids, and taking paracetamol for pain, please contact the Urology Nurses on 0151 252 2852 for advice. You may need to bring your child to the Accident & Emergency department.
- If there is any increase in redness, swelling or pus from the wound please go to your GP, or contact the Urology Nurses on 0151 252 5852 for advice.
- We will arrange an appointment for your child to be seen by the Urology Team in approximately six months' time.

If you need further advice

Please contact the Urology Nurses:

Tel: **0151 252 5852** Monday to Friday 9.00 am to 5.00 pm

For all other times Ward 3A

Tel: **0151 252 5416**

This leaflet only gives general information. You must always discuss the individual treatment of your child with the appropriate member of staff. Do not rely on this leaflet alone for information about your child's treatment.

This information can be made available in other languages and formats if requested.

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