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TO MY PATIENT:

This is a reminder of things we have discussed today concerning your surgery. Please keep these instructions to refer back to after you have had your surgery. If you have further questions, you may call our office number (281) 444-3733 at any time.

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Things you should know and do before and after your surgery.

1. DO NOT take aspirin or "aspirin like" medications. These medications may cause increased bleeding during surgery. You should do this at least 7-10 days before your surgery. However, if you take aspirin prescribed by your medical doctor do not discontinue to take it before checking with your doctor. Tylenol (acetaminophen) is okay to use, as it does not act in the same way as aspirin.
2. If you develop any acute illness, infection or fevers prior to your surgery notify my office as soon as possible. "Colds" and other infections can jeopardize your health and the results of your surgery.
3. TOBACCO: I DO NOT allow smoking during the pre-operative and post-operative period. It has been demonstrated that tobacco use interferes with blood flow and this could result in unsatisfactory scars.
4. You will be placed in a compression garment (girdle/ binder) at the time of surgery. It is very important that you not remove it for the first 3 days following your surgery. After this time you may remove it to take a bath or shower only. You need to wear it day and night for six weeks.
5. Bruising, swelling and discoloration are normal and will disappear with time.
6. You may not engage in exercising as this may cause unnecessary swelling or bleeding. The time when you may resume exercising will be decided on an individual basis.
7. Please get plenty of rest, drink plenty of liquids and keep the amount of activity to a minimum, as this will contribute to better results.
8. Make sure you finish all antibiotics that are prescribed to you at the time of surgery and take pain medications as needed.
9. Please call our office for your follow-up appointment. These appointments are very important and should be kept if at all possible.

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