

## **Biopsy Post-Op Wound Care**

A biopsy is a skin sample that is sent to the pathologist to examine under the microscope to determine the nature of the growth. Your pathology report will be sent to our office where Dr. Laing will review it and decide if any further treatment is needed.

- Care for your shave biopsy site (no suture): Once a day until the area is healed, wash the area with soap and water, apply an antibiotic ointment (eg. Polysporin) and cover with a band-aid.
- Care for your punch biopsy site (with a suture): Leave the bandage in place and keep the suture dry for 24 hours. Once a day after that and until you return for your suture removal, apply a dab of antibiotic ointment (eg. Polysporin) to the site .

A little redness and even a little bleeding is normal. If you have excessive redness, tenderness or pus or excessive bleeding, please contact our office.