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HOME CARE AFTER CIRCUMCISION

1. Gently clean the diaper area with only warm water for 24 hours. After that you may return to using baby wipes or your usual method of cleaning.
2. Use an antibacterial ointment, e.g. Bacitracin or Neosporin, on the cut edge of the circumcision for the next 7 days to help prevent infections and to keep the edge from sticking to the diaper.
3. There is gauze wrapped around the area of circumcision. The gauze needs to be removed the next day. Soaking it with warm water and waiting 10 minutes before removing the gauze, makes the gauze easy to remove.
4. Some oozing of blood from the area of the circumcision is common for the first 24 hours. This requires no special care. However, if the area is bleeding freely, apply pressure to the bleeding area with a clean cloth and call the office immediately.
5. Your baby can eat as usual after the circumcision.
6. The area of circumcision will take about two weeks to completely heal. During this time you may see whitish or yellowish tissue on the head of the penis. This is not pus and is a part of the normal healing process. However, if you notice a pus-like discharge (usually wipes off easily) please call the office.
7. If the area of the circumcision becomes very swollen, or if your child has a fever, call the office.
8. After 2 weeks, you should begin pulling back the remainder of the foreskin gently for cleaning once a day. This will help ensure that no adhesions develop.
9. If none of the above problems occur, then the circumcision does not need to be rechecked. Please follow through with your regular office appointments.

I have received and understand these instructions

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