

derma+flex® Patient After-Care Instructions

Your wound has been treated with **derma+flex**[®] *topical skin adhesive,* it is a sterile, liquid skin adhesive used to close surgical incisions and minor traumatic wounds, while providing a microbial barrier. It may have been used in conjunction with sutures. The list below is a guide for you to understand and care for your wound while it is healing.

- Keep the wound dry. You may occasionally and briefly wet your wound in the shower or bath at the direction of your physician, but do not soak or scrub the wound area. After showering or bathing, gently blot your wound dry with a soft towel.
- Avoid Topical Medications. Do not apply liquid or ointment medications, lotions, creams, petroleum jelly, mineral oils or any other product to your wound while the derma+flex[®] adhesive film is in place.
- **Do not rub, scratch, or pick at the wound.** Doing so may compromise the integrity of the wound closure and cause scarring.
- **Protect the wound from prolonged sunlight exposure.** Do not use tanning lamps while the film is in place.
- Check wound appearance. Some swelling, redness, and pain are common with all wounds and normally will go away as the wound heals. If swelling, redness, or pain increases or if the wound feels warm to the touch, contact your doctor. Also contact your doctor if the wound edges reopen or separate.
- derma+flex[®] will naturally slough off after the procedure as the dermal layer continues to grow. By this time, your wound should be sufficiently healed.

This information is not intended as a substitute for the advice of a physician. For more detailed information, talk to your doctor. Your doctor can choose the best treatment for you in your particular circumstances.

