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HAND SURGERY

REMEMBER TO ELEVATE YOUR HAND ABOVE THE HEART!!

PINS

- You will have a partial cast in place that is meant to stay for 4 weeks
- Keep it clean, dry, and intact until your follow up visit at 4 weeks, please call to make this appointment
- Obtain an x-ray within a few days of your follow up visit to confirm where the pins are placed, by using the requisition provided
- The pins will be removed in the office under local anesthetic

INTERNAL HARDWARE (PLATE/SCREWS)

- IF NO cast is placed, start gentle full-fist exercises
- IF splint is placed, remove at _____ weeks post-surgery and start gentle full-fist exercises
- A requisition for hand therapy may be provided to you on a green sheet of paper after the surgery – make an appointment within a few days of the surgery to get started, there may be a cost associated
- Call office to make a follow up visit at ______ weeks post-surgery
- Obtain an x-ray within a few days of your follow up visit, use the requisition provided
- Keep incisions clean and dry for 3 days then remove the outer dressing and if no surgical tapes are seen, cleanse daily with soap and water, apply polysporin and bandage daily thereafter
- IF you have surgical tapes on the incision, leave them in place until they fall off in approximately 2 weeks pat dry after washing, no need for polysporin, the sutures will dissolve under the skin

OTHER HAND SUGERY

- If you have a splint; leave it on until follow up
- Small openings in the incision are common and will heal with daily soap and water cleansing, polysporin, and a bandage
- IF you have surgical tapes on the incision, leave them in place until they fall of fin approximately 2 weeks pat dry after washing, no need for polysporin, the sutures will dissolve under the skin
- Call hand therapy if a requisition is provided **there may be a cost associated**, check to see if you have extended health coverage for physiotherapy
- Call the office to make an appointment at weeks post-surgery

PATIENT PRESCRIPTION

Affix Patient Label Here

DATE:

Rx:

Tramadol S: 50mg po q4h prn

M: 50 (fifty) tabs.

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