

POST INSERTION INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEN

- **A.** Your insertion site has been covered with two (2) layers of bandages.
 - 1. The outer layer is the pressure bandage consisting of folded gauze and wide paper tape. Please remove this anytime after 3 hours. If your procedure was done late in the day, you may also sleep with it on. Please remove it first thing in the morning.
 - 2. The layer next to your skin is either the waterproof foam tape and/or steri-strip. This needs to stay in place for seven (7) days.
 - 3. We highly recommend you <u>apply an ice pack for 20 -30 minutes, 3 or 4 times today</u> after your insertion or if you do any walking or moderate to heavy physical work the first three days.
- **B.** Seven Day Rule:
 - 1. "No No's" for seven (7) days:

No Tub Baths ☆ No Hot Tubs or Swimming ☆ No soaking in water

No Exercise with the exception of walking on a flat surface. We want to keep the hip as still as possible during this time.

You may resume exercise involving this area in 7 days

2. Things you **CAN** do:

☆ Shower ☆ Golf ☆ Enjoy life!

- **C.** Other Important Notes:
 - 1. Avoid scrubbing the site until the incision is well healed (about 7 days).
 - 2. The insertion site may be uncomfortable for up to 2 to 3 weeks.
 - 3. You may experience bruising, swelling, and/or redness of the insertion site which may last from a few days up to 2 to 3 weeks.
 - 4. You may notice some pinkish or bloody discoloration of the outer bandage. This is normal.
 - 5. If you experience bleeding from the incision, apply firm pressure for 5 minutes.
 - 6. Please call us if you have any active bleeding or pus coming from the incision site at our main number: 760-478-9127 and ask to speak with the physician who treated you.