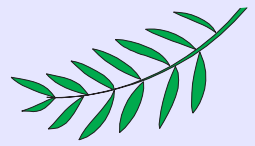


# Lacerations with Sutures or Steri-Strips



1. Your laceration(s) have been repaired with sutures or steri-strips that will have to be removed.
2. Until your sutures/steri-strips are removed, keep the dressing clean and dry.
3. If a splint or bulky dressing has been applied, leave it in place until you return to see a nurse.
4. Return for dressing changes every other day (or as otherwise directed) until it is time for sutures/steri-strips removal. Return for dressing change at any time that your dressing becomes wet or dirty. When taking a shower, cover wound area securely with a plastic bag.
5. Return to Health Services in \_\_\_\_ days for suture/steri-strip removal.

## **Common signs of infection of skin wounds:**

- Redness, swelling, tenderness, or increased warmth of the skin around the wound
- Red streaks in the skin near the wound
- Tender bumps or swelling in armpit/groin
- Pus or watery discharge from the wound itself
- Generalized body aches, chills or fever.

If any of the above signs occur, or if you other questions or concerns, immediately call or visit Health Services.

**CONTACT HEALTH SERVICES IF YOU HAVE  
ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS.**



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## **HEALTH SERVICES**

(603)862-2856 (during hours of operation)|(603) 862-1530 (after hours)

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