SIERRA AMBULATORY SURGERY CENTER 530-272-3428

PODIATRY DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

ACTIVITY

- Do not drive or operate machinery for 24 hours.
- We recommend a responsible adult be with you for 24 hours.
- Do not consume alcohol, tranquilizers or sleeping medications for 24 hours.
- Keep off your feet as much as possible and always wear your surgical shoe when walking.
- We recommend that you do not make any legal decisions for 24 hours.
- Please change positions slowly to avoid dizziness or nausea.

DIET

Begin clear liquid, bouillon, dry toast, or soda crackers. If not nauseated, you may begin a regular diet when you wish. Greasy and spicy foods are not advised. Take stool softener while taking a narcotic medication or eat a high fiber-based diet.

DRESSINGS & COMPRESSES

- Keep dressing clean and dry and DO NOT remove bandage.
- Go directly home and keep your foot elevated by placing pillows under the ankle.
- The appearance of a blood spot through the dressing is not unusual. Call your doctor immediately if the dressing becomes saturated.
- Ice and elevate the operative leg.

MEDICATIONS

Take as prescribed

FOLLOW-UP

YOU SHOULD CALL (530) 271-2100 IF YOU EXPERIENCE:

- Fever over 101 degrees by mouth
- Swelling around the operative area
- Blood soaked dressing (a small amount of oozing may be normal)
- Pain not relieved by the medication prescribed
- Increased redness or warmth around the operative area
- Increased progressive drainage from the surgical area.

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NOTE: You can also reach Dr. Claydon directly through MY CHART. If you are unable to reach your doctor and feel you need a doctor's attention immediately, call Sierra Nevada Memoria Hospital Emergency Room (530) 274-6001 or call 911.
☐ Your follow up appointment is scheduled for at Dr. Claydon's office.
SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: