



Biopsy Post Instructions

1. Keep the area dry today. Tomorrow you may shower.
2. Clean the area at least once daily with soap and water.
3. Apply a thin layer of: antibiotic ointment (like triple antibiotic, neosporin, polysporin or bacitracin) and cover with a bandage.
4. You DO need to apply new antibiotic ointment and a new bandage daily until healed (typically 7 days for most sites, 14 days for legs).

Please avoid alcohol and smoking for one week after the biopsy to promote healing.

Call the office with any signs of infection (expanding redness, excessive drainage, increased pain, swelling or bleeding that does not stop with direct pressure.) The leg heals more slowly and biopsy sites on the leg can normally heal with a red ring and can take 14 days to heal.

Biopsy Results will be ready within 10 days. If you don't hear from us within 10 days, please call the office.

Please note: Alta Dermatology may send your biopsy for a 2nd opinion if deemed necessary by your Physician. Our office will notify you by phone if we have sent your biopsy for a 2nd opinion. Billing information will be provided to the lab and you will get a bill from the lab providing the 2nd opinion. Results may not be ready for an additional 7-10 days.

Please call the office (949) 364-9264 if there are any issues.