



Circumcision Aftercare

After, the circumcised area may be red, tender, raw, and have a small amount of oozing blood. There may be a small amount of yellow drainage on the end of the penis from the normal healing process during the first week. Tenderness should be minimal by the third day.

- Change your baby's diaper frequently.
- Clean the penis by gently blotting or squeezing warm water from a clean washcloth or cotton ball onto the area. **DO NOT** use soap, lotion, powder, or baby wipes to clean the penis because it may cause stinging or irritation.
- It may take about 7-10 days before the circumcised area is completely healed.
- Sponge bathing till the Plastibell falls off.

If your child has had his circumcision using the Plastibell method:

- The Plastibell ring should fall within 4-10 days. **DO NOT** pull the ring off, because it may cause bleeding.
- There may be blue green bruise on the side of the penis from the use of local anesthesia. This is normal and no need for concern.
- With the Plastibell, you do not usually need to use gauze. However, if you decide to use gauze the dressing should be changed with each diaper change. Gently remove the gauze and clean the penis with warm water. If the gauze is stuck to the circumcised area, wet the gauze with warm water to loosen it and gently remove. Reapply a new piece of gauze with petroleum jelly (Vaseline). This will stop the penis from sticking to the diaper and help the healing process.

Call Agave Pediatrics If:

- Redness or swelling around the circumcised area gets worse after 3-5 days.
- There is yellow pus around the penis lasting longer than a week.
- The Plastibell ring does not fall off after 10 days.
- The Plastibell, instead of coming out, starts going down the shaft of the penis.

Seek Medical Care Immediately If:

- There is bleeding from the circumcision area that continues to soak through the gauze.
- Your child has not urinated within 6-8 hours after the circumcision.
- Your child's urine comes out in dribbles, or the urine stream is weak.
- Your child's head of the penis is black or blue.
- Your child's temperature is over 100.4.
- Your child has unpleasant smelling, yellowish-green discharge from the penis.