

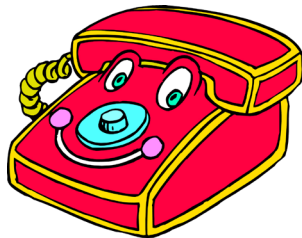
Contact Us

A nurse from the Day ward will contact you the day after your son's operation. You can also contact us if you have any questions or;

- If your son's wound bleeds put gentle pressure on it using clean gauze for 5-10 minutes continuously. If the bleeding does not stop bring your son to the nearest emergency department.
- If your son's wound looks very red and swollen and does not show any improvement after 3 days please contact the Day Ward or your GP.
- If your son's wound oozes or leaks yellow/green fluid please contact the Day Ward or your GP.

OR

If you are worried about your son or have any questions please ring us.



Day Ward

Monday - Friday
7.30 am-6.30 pm

01 878 4831
01 878 4839

Outside these hours, please
contact the Emergency
Department

01- 8784200

D-Doc
Monday -Friday
5 pm - 8 am

Saturday, Sunday and
Bank Holidays

Open 24 hours

1850 22 44 77

**Please remember to wash your hands
or use hand gel when visiting the
Hospital**

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Care After a Circumcision

Information for Patients, Parents and Carers

Day Ward
01 878 4839

Main Hospital Number
01 878 4200



What is Circumcision?

Your son has had a circumcision. This is an operation that removes the foreskin from the top of their penis.

At Home

At home your son may be more comfortable wearing loose clothes such as a tracksuit for a few days.

A thick coating of Vaseline can also be put on his nappy or underpants next to his penis.



Wound

Your son may have stitches around his penis which will dissolve or melt away after 6 weeks.

The area around the operation site will look a little red and swollen for a few days.

Washing

At home, your son will need to have a bath twice a day for 5-7 days using Savlon bath solution. If stitches are used his first bath will be on the day after his operation.

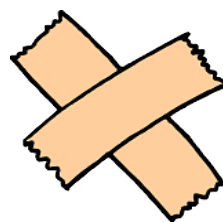
If glue is used for the wound your son should not have his first bath for 48 hours.

Each bath should last 20 minutes.

Dressing

If your son has a dressing it should be removed when he is in the first bath.

If the dressing falls off before this and he is not bleeding there is no need to put a new dressing on.



Your son may feel some pain when he is at home. The nurse on the Day Ward will give you some advice about pain relief.

School

Your son may return to school when he can wear his usual clothes comfortably and can walk normally.

Your child should not take part in sports activities, PE or cycling for 2-3 weeks or until the swelling and discomfort is gone.

