Contact Us

A nurse from the Day ward will contact you the day after your son’s operation. You can also contact us;

If your son’s wound oozes or leaks green / yellow 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
7.30am-6.30pm

01 878 4831
01 878 4839

Outside these hours please contact the Emergency Department

01- 8784200

D-Doc

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Care After an Operation for Undescended Testes (Orchidopexy)

Information for Patients, Parents and Carers

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What is Orchidopexy?

This is an operation to reposition an undescended testicle/testes into a child’s scrotum.

At Home

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

Wound

Your son will have 2 wounds; one in his groin, the other in his scrotum. Any stitches will dissolve or melt away after 6 weeks.

After the operation, it is normal for the area around the operation to be swollen. If your son’s scrotum, groin or operation site becomes very red or swollen please contact your GP.

Washing

Please keep your son’s wounds dry for 5 days after his operation. Your son should not have a bath or shower at this time.

Dressing

Your son will have a dressing on his groin wound only. This dressing should be left in place for 5 days and then removed.

If the dressing falls off before 5 days it must be replaced by a waterproof dressing available from your pharmacy.

Any steristrips (paper stitches) should be left in place until they fall off.

Pain

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

School

Your son can 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 until he has been seen in the outpatient’s department which is usually 6 weeks after his operation.