Surgery Center of Pinehurst Laparoscopic Hysterectomy Home Care Instructions

Vaginal Spotting:

After your surgery, you might have some light vaginal bleeding. Please use a pad or panti-liner. Do not use tampons. If you have bright red heavy vaginal bleeding, please contact your doctor.

Personal Hygiene:

Please do not put anything into your vagina for six weeks. This includes tampons and douching.

Showers:

Showers are preferred. Please no tub baths for two weeks. After your shower, pat your steri-strips dry and leave them open to the air. You can remove the steri-strips in 5-7 days. You can shower this evening

Intimate Relations:

Please do not have intercourse for six weeks or until your doctor advises you that it is safe for you to resume sexual activities.

Housework:

No heavy housework or heavy lifting for 6 weeeks after your surgery. Let your family and friends help you during this time!

Medications:

Follow instructions carefully. Pain medications should be taken with food to minimize side effects such as nausea and vomiting. Pain medication may also dehydrate and/or constipate, so drink plenty of fluids.

Do not drive a car as long as you are taking pain medication.

Follow-up Appointment:

It is very important for you to keep the appointment that has been made for you. If you need to reschedule, please call your doctor's office and we will be happy to find a more convenient time.

Please call your doctor for any of the following:

Temperature of 100 degrees or higher Severe pain Heavy bleeding Bad odor from your vagina

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