

Comprehensive Care Orthopedics – Kirk R. Davis, D.O.

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Post OP Care – Hip Arthroscopy

- Elevate leg above heart level for 48 hours.
- Apply an ice bag to the hip 4 times a day for 20 minutes each time.
Cover the ice bag with a cloth to keep bandages dry and prevent frostbite.
- Walk using crutches; put weight on the operative hip as tolerated.
- There may be a softball sized bloody spot on your dressing due to fluid used during the surgery. 48 hours after the surgery, remove the bandages. Clean the incision area with Peroxide, cover the incision(s) with Band-aids.
- Fill pain medication prescription immediately; take this with food to help prevent nausea. Drink plenty of clear liquids.
- Call the office at (419) 473-9500 the day of the surgery or the day after to confirm your post op appointment. Your appointment should be 5-10 days after the day of surgery.
- Begin exercises the day of surgery. Consult the exercise sheet you were given. Start physical therapy as instructed.
- Three days after surgery you may shower. **DO NOT** soak in a bathtub, hot tub or swimming pool. You may want to try using a plastic lawn chair or shower chair.

NOTIFY THE OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

Increased redness or swelling over the incision area

Severe calf pain

Incision area is warm or hot to the touch

Incision area is foul smelling or has drainage with color

Relentless pain, nausea, vomiting, bleeding or drainage.

**For additional questions, please call the office at
(419) 473-9500 and speak with Melissa, Kathy or Nancy.**