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POST OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS GYNECOMASTIA

Patient Name :	DOB:
Surgical Facility:	Surgery Date:

ACTIVITY

- Minimal activity for the first 24 hours after surgery. Walking around the house for 10 minutes every few hours is helpful for recovery.
- Gradually increase activity as tolerated.
- No sexual activity for 4 weeks after surgery.
- Pain and swelling may indicate that you are doing too much too quickly.
- No heavy exercise, bending, lifting, jacuzzi, swimming, sun exposure, smoking, or sports for 3 to 6 weeks following surgery. Please ask your surgeon first.

POSITION

- Elevate head and back at 45 degree angle while resting/sleeping.
- Use an old towel or linens on your bed/sofa. Liposuction incision sites may have blood-tinged discharge for 24-48 hours after surgery. This is normal.

ICE PACKS

- Will help reduce swelling and provide comfort.
- Frozen peas work well.
- DO NOT apply ice directly to skin.
- Apply 20 minutes on/ 20 minutes off for 48-72 hours after surgery.

WOUND CARE

- Leave tapes in place until next appointment. If tapes fall off, clean visible stitches with Q-tip two (2) times a day using ½ strength hydrogen peroxide (mix with tap water).
- Apply thin layer Bacitracin ointment. (Don't allow crusts to collect on stitches).
- After 3 days, remove garment, throw away foam, shower and replace garment.
- Your garment is to be worn for at least 4 to 6 weeks continuously except when showering or laundering your garment.
- Short warm showers are best. Do not take excessively hot or long showers. Do not take baths.
- While wearing garment/binder it is important to keep it as wrinkle-free as possible.

DRIVING

Driving restricted for the first 72 hrs. and while taking prescription pain medication. Use precaution.

TED HOSE

Wear TED hose (compression stockings) for the first week AND until walking usual daily amount.

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Watch carefully for excessive redness, swelling, bleeding, discharge, fever (above 100F), or pain not relieved by medication.	
IF ANY OF THESE SYMPTOMS APPEAR - CALL IMMEDIATELY (949) 720-3888	
Patient Signature	Date
Witness Signature	Date