

**INSTRUCTIONS CIRCUMCISION or CIRCUMCISION REVISION (CHILD)****Academic Urology-Pottstown/Phoenixville****Day time phone: 610.323.5550 (Pottstown) or 610.935.9010 (Phoenixville)****Emergency Phone after 5 pm 610.792.2871****NATURE OF THE PROCEDURE**

A circumcision involves removing the foreskin that covers the head of the penis. In a toddler or a school-aged child we would recommend performing the procedure under general anesthesia in the hospital. This procedure can be done as an out-patient. It usually takes approximately 25 to 30 minutes. Dissolvable sutures are utilized for this procedure.

**PREPARATION FOR THE PROCEDURE**

The child is not permitted to eat or drink anything, including water, after midnight the evening prior to the procedure. The child should not take any aspirin or Ibuprofen-containing products 10 days prior to the procedure and no Aspirin for 2 days after the procedure. If you have HMO insurance, it is your responsibility to obtain a referral from your primary care physician.

**AFTER THE PROCEDURE**

Antibiotic ointment is applied to the penis and in some cases a dry dressing is applied. If a dressing is applied, this can be removed 24 hours after the procedure and if it falls off prior to that time, it can be simply left off. If there is bleeding or oozing we would recommend that you apply pressure to the area for 10 to 15 minutes. If bleeding or oozing persists we recommend that you contact our staff. Once the dressing is off, we recommend that you apply a Bacitracin or Neosporin ointment 2 or 3 times a day to the incision for 10 days. Avoid any tub baths for 10 days. The sutures on the wound will dissolve automatically and if the sutures are soaked in water they may dissolve prematurely. Some swelling soreness and bruising is expected for a few days. Should there is steady increasing pain, swelling, tenderness and redness, you can contact us to make sure there is no infection. Depending on the age of the child, either Tylenol or Tylenol with Codeine can be administered for pain relief. Discomfort from the procedure is usually limited to 1 to 3 days after the procedure.

**FOLLOW-UP APPOINTMENTS AND POSSIBLE STUDIES NEEDED**

Call 610.323.5550 or 610.935.9010 to schedule an appointment to:

\_\_\_ see Dr. Rose Leech Moreno Kabler or Kalra in \_\_\_ day(s) or \_\_\_ week(s)

**MEDICATIONS**

Take: \_\_\_ Tylenol with codeine elixir

\_\_\_ Apply Bacitracin ointment or a an antibiotic ointment to the wound  
twice daily for 10 days.