## ARTERIAL POST PROCEDURE DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

<u>ACTIVITY</u>		
No strenuous exercise (lifting, pulling, pushing anything over 10lbs) for 3 days.		
Try not to walk up stairs for a couple of days. (If access was groin)		
You may walk and do light activities.		
Do not bend your wrist deeply for a couple days. (If access was wrist)		
May drive 24 hours post procedure. (If not taking pain medication)		
<u>DIET</u>		
You may resume a normal diet as tolerated.		
Drink extra fluids to help flush your system of contrast dye and medications given during your procedure. <b>DO NOT DO THIS IF YOU HAVE KIDNEY PROBLEMS OR CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE.</b>		
SITE CARE		
Keep dressing in place for 24 hours post procedure.		
After 24 hours you may remove it and replace with band aid.		
You may shower after 24 hours.		
Do not submerge your site in water (swimming or bathtub) until healed.		
May apply ice on site and take over the counter medication as directed by your physician for any pain and swelling.		
CALL IMMEDIATELY IF YOU EXPERIENCE THE FOLLOWING		
<ul> <li>Bleeding from procedure site</li> <li>A fast-growing painful lump at procedure site (hold immediate pressure)</li> <li>Signs or symptoms of infection (increased pain, swelling, warmth, redness, discharge at site, fever)</li> </ul>		
Discharged to the care ofDate/time		



Follow up Appointment:

## **VENOUS POST PROCEDURE DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS**

## **ACTIVITY**

No strenuous exercise (lifting, pulling, pushing anything over 10lbs) for 3 days.

May resume normal activity as tolerated.

May drive 24 hours post procedure. (If not taking pain medication)

## **DIET**

You may resume a normal diet as tolerated.

Drink extra fluids to help flush your system of contrast dye and medications given during your procedure. **DO NOT DO THIS IF YOU HAVE KIDNEY PROBLEMS OR CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE.** 

## **SITE CARE**

Keep dressing in place for 24 hours post procedure. After 24 hours you may remove it and replace with band aid.

If SkinAffix glue was used, **DO NOT PICK AT GLUE.** 

You may shower after 24 hours.

Do not submerge your site in water (swimming or bathtub) until healed.

You may apply ice on site and take over the counter medication as directed by your physician for any pain and swelling.

#### CALL IMMEDIATELY IF YOU EXPERIENCE THE FOLLOWING

- Bleeding from procedure site
- A fast-growing painful lump at procedure site (hold immediate pressure)
- Signs or symptoms of infection (increased pain, swelling, warmth, redness, discharge at site, fever)

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Follow up Appointment:	



# **UTERINE ARTERY EMBOLIZATION (UAE) POST PROCEDURE DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS**

<u>ACTIVITY</u>		
Take it easy while slowly increasing activity over the next 3-4 days.		
No strenuous exercise (lifting, pulling, pushing anything over 10lbs) until follow up appointment.		
Try not to walk up stairs for a couple days. (If access was groin)		
Do not bend your wrist deeply for a couple days. (If access was wrist)		
Do NOT drive until you are no longer taking Prescription pain medication.		
Nothing in the vagina for <b>2 weeks</b> including but not limited to tampons, sexual intercourse, etc.		
<u>DIET</u>		
You may resume a normal diet as tolerated.		
**Increase fluids and fiber. We strongly encourage over the counter laxative or stool softener.		
MEDICATION		
Prescribed by physician: **The first 72 hours is the worse		
Oxycodone- Pain Management		
Zofran- Nausea		
Steroid pack- To help with inflammation and pain (start immediately)		
Over the counter:		
MiraLAX- daily, as recommended until first BM. Constipation will make cramping worse.		
<b>Ibuprofen-</b> Pain Management. 800mg -3x a day		
Sanitary napkins (menstrual pads)- Do NOT use tampons for 2 cycles.		



May apply ice on site and take over the counter medication as directed by your physician for any pain and swelling.

### **SITE CARE**

Keep dressing in place for 24 hours post procedure. After 24 hours you may remove it and replace with band aid.

Observe site, bruising is normal. As site heals bruising may spread.

You may shower after 24 hours. Do not submerge your site in water (swimming or bathtub) until completely healed.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

Do NOT use tampons for two cycles post embolization.

It is normal to have vaginal discharge or spotting post procedure. This can persist for a few weeks or until your first period.

Your next cycle may start early or may be delayed.

You may see results with your first cycle, but some do not see improvement for 2-3 cycles.

Increase discomfort may happen with the next cycle or two. This is because the fibroids shrink over several months.

Fibroids are estrogen driven. As they shrink, sudden changes in hormones may happen including but not limited to depression, hot flashes, mood swings, etc. This is usually self-limiting and requires no treatment.

#### CALL IMMEDIATELY IF YOU EXPERIENCE THE FOLLOWING

- A fast-growing painful lump at procedure site (hold immediate pressure)
- Increased pain or bleeding from procedure site
- Thick or foul-smelling discharge from vagina
- Signs or symptoms of infection (increased pelvic pain, fever, body shakes, redness, warmth, or discharge at site)

Discharged to the care of	Date/time
Follow up Appointment:	

