

**DEPARTMENT OF DERMATOLOGY**

**RAH**

**0141 314 6068**

Date.....

**ADVICE AFTER YOUR BIOPSY**

1. The stitches will be removed by your own General Practitioner or Practice Nurse in 7-10 days according to the doctor's instructions. Please telephone and make an appointment within 1-2 days after your biopsy to ensure an appointment on the right day.
2. After the local anaesthetic wears off, occasionally there may be some discomfort from the wound. We advise you to take your normal choice of painkiller, ie what you would normally take for a headache.
3. WOUND CARE
  - a. Keep area dry for at least 48 hours
  - b. Replace dressing with a fresh plaster when required
  - c. If oozing of blood occurs apply pressure to the wound.
  - d. If bleeding doesn't stop contact dermatology during working hours on 01413146068. Out of hours attend A+E
  - e. If your wound or stitches open contact Dermatology (01413146068) or NHS 24 on 111, Please do not attend A+E
4. CONDITION OF THE WOUND

If you are worried about your wound at all, or if your wound becomes hot and inflamed this may be a sign of infection, please contact your own General Practitioner.
5. You should have a routine review appointment for the Clinic, approximately 4-12 weeks after your biopsy, for the results.
6. If you do not have a return appointment and have not been notified of the result of your biopsy by 8 weeks from the above date, please contact us on the above telephone number.

YOUR NAMED NURSE FOR TODAY WAS:-.....