

RADICAL ORCHIECTOMY, VARICOCELE SURGERY OR OTHER GROIN SURGERIES

1. These procedures are done through an inguinal (or groin) incision.
2. Skin sutures are usually dissolvable.
3. Swelling of the incision can be minimized by placing ice packs on the incision (30 minutes on / 30minutes off while awake for the first 48 hours).
4. If steri-strips (white parallel tapes across the wound) have been placed, they will fall off on their own in a week or 2. If they are still on after 2 weeks, peel them off.
5. It is OK to shower 48 hours after procedure. However, try to keep the incision dry, especially if Dermabond has been placed on the wound
6. Common issues:
 - A firm ridge under the incision is normal and will take several weeks to resolve
 - Swelling of the scrotum on the affected side
7. Warning signs:
 - Pus draining from wound
 - Severe and spreading redness around wound
 - Fever > 101F
 - Shaking Chills