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POST-OPERATIVE INFORMATION following DIALYSIS-ACCESS SURGERY

- 1. It is normal to have mild redness, swelling, and/or pain around the incision site. These symptoms will gradually improve each day. If there is no gradual improvement, or if you notice extensive pain and swelling or drainage, you should call our office.
- 2. Incision staples should remain in place for 10-20 days following the surgery. If you go home from the hospital with your staples in, you will usually have them removed at dialysis, but you can also call and make an appointment for staple removal at our office.
- 3. Your incision should be kept dry and clean until the staples are removed.
- 4. You are to continue taking the same medication at the same dosages you were taking prior to surgery unless instructed otherwise by your doctor.
- 5. If you have any questions, please feel free to call our office at the above-listed number.