

## ***POST-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR LESION/MASS REMOVAL***

*\*You may remove the bandage from the area in 24 hours. If there are sutures on the skin, use peroxide with a Q-tip and clean the area daily. Place triple-antibiotic ointment on the area once or twice daily. DO NOT let the area get a scab.*

*\*If you have no visible sutures but only tape over the incision, you do not need to worry about using peroxide or anti-biotic ointment on the area.*

*\*You may use ice on the area but DO NOT place the ice directly on the skin as it may be numb and can burn your skin. Place a towel under the ice to protect your skin.*

*\*If you have sutures, they will remain in the skin anywhere from 7-18 days, depending on the area.*

*\*If you have steri-strips or tape on the area, the sutures under the skin will dissolve in time. The tape will wear off in a few weeks.*

*\*You may notice a slight drainage of either blood or a clear type of liquid from the area, which is normal.*

*\*The doctor will tell you when to make your first post-operative appointment following surgery.*

*\*Call the office if any of the following occur:*

*\*Excessive bleeding from the incision*

*\*Excessive swelling*

*\*Extreme throbbing*