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POSTOPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS- LESION REMOVAL

- Take medications as prescribed
- If no dressing was placed at the time of surgery, apply Bacitracin Ointment to the surgical area twice daily. If a dressing was placed, keep it clean and dry.
- No exercise, heavy lifting, or strenuous activity.
- Do not disturb or change your dressing unless specifically instructed to do so by Dr. Rosenberg.
- Avoid exposure of the healing wound to sun for at least 6 months following the surgery.
- The pathology report on the lesion which has been removed removed is usually available within 10 days of surgery. Dr. Rosenberg will discuss the findings with you once they are made available. Occasionally it becomes necessary to remove additional tissue if the pathology report indicates that this would be beneficial. In this event, your options will be presented to you by Dr. Rosenberg.
- Make certain to keep your appointment for suture removal. Delayed removal of sutures can negatively affect healing and the appearance of your scar.
- There are many additional modalities which can be used to improve the appearance of your scar. These include topical applications, anti-inflammatory injections, electron beam therapy, pressure dressings and massage. Therefore, it is very important to make and keep follow up appointments during the first year after a scar revision to permit continuous observation of your scar to maximize the benefits of surgery.