

## **Postoperative Wound Care**

## **Care for Suture Wounds:**

- 1. Cleanse the suture area daily with warm soapy water. Pat dry.
- 2. Then apply antibacterial topical ointment each day until the area is healed.
- 3. Keep the suture covered with a dressing.
- 4. You will have a scheduled appointment 5-7 days after procedure for suture removal.
- 5. If the wound bleeds, becomes infected, or if you have any difficulties or questions please call the office at (407) 636-5384

Some swelling may occur after surgery. You may apply an ice pack for 15-20 minutes at a time 3-4 times a day. A bag of frozen peas works great! Be sure to put a towel around the ice pack to prevent the skin surface from getting too cold.

Should you experience any comfort or pain after surgery and there is no history of an allergic reaction, you may take 2 extra strength Tylenol every 6 hours as needed. Avoid any medication with aspirin in it, as it may produce bleeding.