



BUTTOCK AUGMENTATION

Pre-Operative Instructions

- Please advise Dr. Robbins if you are taking any blood thinning medications (e.g., Warfarin, Ibuprofen, NSAIDs, Plavix, Aspirin). These will need to be discontinued prior to surgery per Dr. Robbins' instructions or the physician that manages these medications.
- **DO NOT** take any of the following 10 days prior to surgery:
 - Anti-inflammatories (ibuprofen, Aleve, Motrin, Excedrin, OTC pain medication Tylenol is the ONLY acceptable pain medication to take prior to surgery.)
 - Homeopathic medications (If you are unsure then do not take.)
 - Vitamin E, Fish Oil or Multivitamin
- Take a bath or shower daily with an anti-bacterial liquid soap, like Dial liquid soap, or Hibiclens starting 3 days prior to surgery. These can be purchased at any drug store.
- **DO NOT** eat or drink after midnight the night before surgery. That means **NO FOOD OR ANY LIQUIDS INCLUDING WATER.**
- **DO NOT** wear jewelry, dentures, hearing aids, or contact lenses the day of surgery.
- **DO NOT** wear make-up, moisturizer, lipstick, deodorant, or nail polish the day of surgery.
- Wear comfortable, loose-fitting clothing that has buttons or zips in the front. No skinny jeans or leggings the day of surgery. No clothing with any metal on it.
- You will need to arrive 2 hours prior to your surgery time or advised. The arrival time is enclosed in your folder.
- You must bring a driver to take you home after surgery.

MEDICATIONS

You will be prescribed a **pain**, (Percocet/oxycodone, or Dilaudid/hydromorphone), **anti-nausea** (*Phenergan/promethazine or Zofran/ondansetron*) and **antibiotic** Keflex/cephalexin, doxycycline, or Cipro/ciprofloxacin) **medication**. The goal is to stay ahead of the pain so you can rest comfortably and eat/drink without nausea or constipation. Our office recommends starting an over-the-stool softener, Miralax, Dulcolax prior to surgery. After surgery it is recommended to take it preventatively every day until you are no longer on the narcotic pain medicine. IF YOU HAVE NOT HAD A BOWL MOVEMENT 3-4 DAYS FOLLOWING SURGERY THEN YOU MAY

take Milk of Magnesia or Magnesium Citrate. These are both available over the counter. Follow the instructions listed on the package. **(SEE ATTACHED MEDICATION LIST)**

- Your **pain** medication should be taken with food in your stomach, even if you don't have an appetite, have some crackers or yogurt with it. This will prevent nausea caused by the pain medicine.
- Your **antibiotic** is to prevent infection, take the medicine as prescribed beginning the day you get home from surgery until the entire bottle is empty. This DOES NOT need to be taken prior to surgery.
- DO NOT take aspirin or any products containing aspirin or ibuprofen, Aleve, Motrin **until 5 days after surgery.**
- **Take ALL your medications as prescribed, at least for the first 72 hours after surgery.**
- You may resume aspirin or any products containing aspirin, ibuprofen, and vitamins 5 days after surgery.
- Have someone drive you home after surgery and help you at home for as long as you are on the pain medication and/or muscle relaxer.
- You will have prescription for an antibiotic as well as a pain medication that you need to start when you get home after surgery. You DO NOT need to take this prior to surgery unless instructed by our office.
- Cough and deep breathe every 2 hours to prevent pneumonia.
- **If your surgery is on a Monday, you may shower on Thursday. If your surgery is on Wednesday, you may shower on Saturday. If your surgery is on Friday, you may shower on Monday.**
- After you shower on your shower day then the compression garment must be placed on. (SEE ABOVE FOR SHOWER DAY.) The compression garment will be worn for the first 3 weeks, day and night. Then it is to be worn weeks 4, 5 and 6 in the daytime only. You may continue to wear it longer even after the 6 weeks. There is to be no compression on the buttock for the first 3 weeks. Our office will direct you as to when you may apply compression to the buttock.
- If applicable, leave the tape/steri-strips in place, over your incisions, this will help with scarring. They will fall off on their own at approximately 3 weeks. After 3 weeks you may remove the tape and use a silicone-based scar cream or tape to the incisions. This can be purchased from our office or online.
- No driving until completely off narcotic pain medication and muscle relaxer.
- When sleeping it is best to sleep on your sides. You are not to put any pressure or weight on the buttock area for the first 3 weeks.

What to Expect

- Discomfort will be maximal in the first 3 days; it should improve each day thereafter
- After surgery you may experience tightness.

- There will be post-operative pain, temporary bruising, discomfort, numbness, swelling and discoloration.
- You will be returning to see Dr. Robbins 1 week post operatively.
- Scars will be red for 2-3 months and then fade and soften over time. It is best to avoid any sun exposure or tanning on the incisions for as long as they are discolored.
- If sutures were placed

When to Call the Office

- If you have severe or increased pain not relieved by medication.
- If you are having side-effects to medications, such as rash, nausea, headache, or vomiting.
- If you have a temperature > 101.5 degrees.
- If you have drainage from the incision or drains with a foul odor.
- If you have bleeding from the incisions that does not stop with pressure.
- Excessive warmth or redness that is spreading from the incision site.

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