



The Emily Center

How to Care for Your Child After Pyeloplasty or Correction of UPJ (Ureteropelvic Junction) Obstruction

Procedure/Treatment/Home Care
Si usted desea esta información en español,
por favor pídasela a su enfermero o doctor.

#962

Name of Child: _____ Date: _____

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Your child's kidney was blocked. The surgery unblocked the kidney.

After the surgery your child will have

- a tube draining urine (a **Foley catheter**), and
- a drain on the side, in case urine leaks (**Blake, JP drain, or Penrose**).

Your child may also have a tube put in from the kidney to the bladder (an **indwelling catheter or stent**), to help the kidney heal.

After this surgery most children will be in the hospital 24 to 48 hours.

What to expect:

In the hospital, we will give your child fluids by IV, medicine to treat the pain, and antibiotics.

The catheter draining urine is usually taken out on the day after surgery.

Your child may go home with the drain in place. The doctor will take it out 2 to 7 days after surgery.

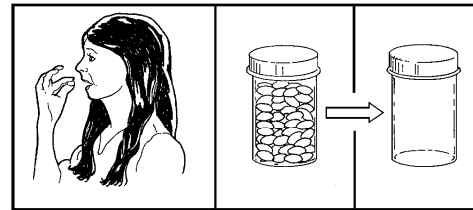
The doctor will take out the stent about 4 or 8 weeks after surgery.

Every day after surgery, your child should get better than the day before. Your child should be back to normal in a week.

Medicine

Medicine to treat pain: The doctor will give you a prescription for medicine to treat pain. Give it to your child every 4 to 6 hours.

Medicine to prevent infection (antibiotic): Follow the instructions. Do not stop giving your child the antibiotic until all the medicine is gone, even if your child feels better. At first, your child will have to take this medicine several times a day. Then, your child will have to take this once a day until the doctor takes out the stent. If your child does not get this medicine, he or she could get a kidney infection.



Do not stop giving your child the antibiotic until all the medicine is gone, even if your child feels better.

Bathing

Until the doctor takes out the drain, your child's body should not go into water. Do not let your child take a bath or shower, or go into a pool. Instead, wash your child with a wash cloth.

24 hours after the doctor takes out the drain, your child may take a bath or shower.

Activities

For the first 14 days after the surgery, your child may read, watch television, and use the computer. Do not let your child run, jump, ride a bike or scooter, or play ball until 14 days after the surgery.

Follow-up

If you have any questions about your child, call your child's doctor.

Bring your child to see the doctor on

Date: _____ Time: _____

Now that you've read this:

- Tell your nurse or doctor what medicine you will give your child, when. (Check when done.)
- Tell your nurse or doctor how you will keep your child clean. (Check when done.)
- Tell your nurse or doctor what your child can do in the next two weeks. (Check when done.)



If you have any questions or concerns,

- call your child's doctor at _____
- call (602) 279-1697

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visit our library at The Emily Center at Phoenix Children's Hospital
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Name of Health Care Provider: _____ Number: 962
For office use: Date returned: _____ db nb

Family Review of Handout

Health care providers: Please teach families with this handout.
Families: Please let us know what you think of this handout.

Would you say this handout is hard to read? Yes No

easy to read? Yes No

Please circle the parts of the handout that were hard to understand.

Would you say this handout is interesting to read? Yes No

Why or why not?

Would you do anything differently after reading
this handout? Yes No

If yes, what?

After reading this handout, do you have any
questions about the subject? Yes No

If yes, what?

Is there anything you don't like about the drawings?

Yes

No

If yes, what?

What changes would you make in this handout to make it better or easier to understand?

Please return your review of this handout to your nurse or doctor or send it to the address below.

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