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PATIENT INFORMATION SHEET

PALATOPLASTY

On the ward the nursing staff will monitor you and they will check to see that you meets certain criteria before discharge.

For a few days you may get a small amount of intermittent bleeding but if there is continuous or profuse bleeding please return to an emergency department and Dr Courtney will be called.

For pain relief use combinations of paracetamol, endone, celebrex and diflam throat spray topically.

Antibiotics are not normally used after the operation.

Keep drinking and eating normally.

You may have a smelly breath for 10 days.

Follow-up after the operation at Dr Courtney's rooms should be eight weeks post operation.

In the case of an emergency post operatively do the following that best fits the degree of urgency:-

1) Present to either John Flynn Hospital or Gold Coast Hospital or The Tweed Hospital emergency department where there is either myself or another ENT surgeon on call 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

or

2) Call my rooms, if during working hours 07 563025600.

or

3) Present to the closest emergency department where the problem can be stabilised, but there may not always be an ENT surgeon on call, and they may need to transfer to another hospital, once the doctor at the department has spoken to me.

or

4) Call an ambulance.