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PATIENT INFORMATION SHEET

Ear surgery - Myringoplasty or Mastoidectomy or Exostectomy

You may have a head bandage, you can remove this on the first morning the day after the operation. There is packing in the ear canal leave this in place.

The ear will feel blocked with reduced hearing for two weeks, it is expected and secondary to ear packing and swelling. The ear packing (if any) will be removed at the first post operation visit.

Initially there may be some pain but paracetamol, panadeine and/or neurofen should be enough to settle this.

Keep the ear dry (avoid water exposure) until advised by Dr Courtney at the follow-up visit, when this can happen.

All sutures are internal and dissolvable and do not require removal

Follow-up at Dr Courtney's rooms should be done between two and three weeks after the operation, please ring and book this.

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 56302600.

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.