

Liposuction Instructions

PRE-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

• Do NOT smoke at least 4 weeks prior to surgery

• Do NOT take ASPIRIN or aspirin-containing products for 2 weeks prior to surgery

• Please have your prescriptions filled prior to surgery

POST-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

• Swelling and Bruising: It is normal to become swollen and bruised around the areas treated. This may last for 4-6 weeks. To help reduce this:

• Wear your GARMENT as instructed. Typically, a garment should be worn at all times except when bathing. It may be left off for no more than an hour a day. Wear your garment for 3-4 weeks or longer, as instructed

• Massage: Massaging areas treated as deeply as tolerated will help keep areas smooth. Concentrate on firm or hard areas.

• Bleeding: A few drops of bloody drainage are normal and to be expected just after surgery at the incision sites. It is helpful to protect your furniture/bed with towels

• Pain: Take your pain medicine as prescribed. Do not take pain medication on an empty stomach, this can increase nausea

• Diet: Eat a regular well-balanced diet. Drink SEVERAL glasses of water a day after surgery

• Activity: Rest for the first 24-48 hours. Avoid strenuous or heavy lifting for 3-4 weeks. Walking and gentle exercise is permitted

• Bathing: You may shower the day after surgery; avoid bathing in a tub

• Driving: Please do not drive until instructed by your physician; usually one week after surgery

NOTIFY THE OFFICE IF YOU EXPERIENCE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

• If you develop a temperature above 101.5° F

• If you have bleeding, excessive swelling, or pain not relieved with your pain medicine

• If you develop redness (like a sunburn) on your skin

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AT (410) 590-4313 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS