

William Wong, DPM, PA POST-SURGICAL INSTRUCTIONS

A SURGICAL PROCEDURE HAS JUST BEEN PERFORMED. The amount of discomfort and swelling vary from patient to patient. Please follow these instructions.

- 1. While returning home from surgery:
 - Sit sideways in the back seat of the car with the surgical foot elevated.
 - Have your prescriptions filled immediately.
- 2. Remain quiet and off your feet for the first 24 hours. Place a pillow under the calf of your leg so the surgical foot is elevated.
- 3. Place and ice bag over the surgical area 10 minutes out of every half hour. This should only be necessary for the first 24 hours after the surgery.
 - Pain will be the worst the first night following the surgery. Please take pain medication every 4-6 hours as prescribed until the next morning. After the first night, take pain medication as needed.
- 4. **DO NOT CHANGE YOUR BANDAGES**. Leave bandages on unless otherwise advised by the doctor.
- 5. **DO NOT** use hot water bags or electric heating pads on your foot.
- 6. **KEEP OPERATIVE AREA COMPLETELY DRY**. If the bandage accidentally gets wet, dry immediately with an absorbent towel and call Dr. Wong. If the bandage gets soaked, promptly remove and re-bandage and call Dr. Wong.
- 7. Your bandages may become somewhat bloody. Should this occur do not become alarmed. However, if there is active and persistent bleeding contact our office or Dr. Wong if after hours
- 8. To help the throbbing, keep foot elevated. If the throbbing persists and the pain medication does not help the throbbing, contact our office or Dr. Wong.
- 9. Nausea and light-headedness sometimes occurs due to pain medications. If this happens, please call our office or Dr. Wong.
- 10. Follow a light diet. Plenty liquids and abstain from consuming alcoholic beverages while taking medications.
- 11. Bend knee and rotate foot and ankle at least 5 minutes during each hour after surgery for 24-36 hours while awake.
- 12. Limit walking to your tolerance, but keep it to a minimum. Stay off your feet as much as possible. Wear your cut out surgical shoe when walking. **DO NOT** walk on your foot without your surgical shoe.
- 13. Should you bump or otherwise injure your foot or surgical site in any way notify our office or Dr. Wong **IMMEDIATELY**.
- 14. If your temperature arises over 100 degrees call the office or Dr. Wong.
- 15. Your next appointment is_____
- 16. Should you incur any other problems not discussed in these instructions. Please phone the following telephone numbers until your reach the Doctor or member of his staff.

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Doctors Office 863 686 1081	Dr. Wong's Cell Phone	863 660 9555
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