Ectropion Repair
(Outwardly Turned Eyelid), Care After Surgery

Please read the instructions below. Refer to these instructions for the next few weeks. These instructions give you general information on caring for yourself after surgery. Your caregiver may also give you specific instructions. While your treatment has been planned according to the most current medical practices available, unavoidable problems sometimes happen. If you have any problems or questions after you leave, please call your caregiver.

AFTER SURGERY

- The material used to cover the wound (*dressing*) should be kept clean and dry until removed or changed. Do as directed by your caregiver.
- If eye drops or ointment was prescribed, use as directed for the full time directed.
- Let your caregiver know if your eye becomes more red and swollen with use of medications. This could be an allergic reaction.
- Only take over-the-counter or prescription medicines for pain, discomfort or fever as directed by your caregiver.
- You may resume normal diet and activities as directed or allowed.
- Avoid lifting and bending over until you are told otherwise.

SEEK MEDICAL CARE IF:

- There is redness, swelling, or increasing pain in the wound or around the eye or face.
- Pus is coming from wound.
- The eye itself becomes red and inflamed.
- The eye is sensitive to light.
- An unexplained oral temperature above 102° F (38.9° C) develops.
- There is a breaking open of the wound edges after stitches (*sutures*) have been removed.
- You still feel like you have something in your eye after the surgery.

SEEK IMMEDIATE MEDICAL CARE IF:

- There is any change in vision.
- You develop a rash.
- You have hard time breathing
- You develop any reaction or side effects to medications given.

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