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## Breast Reduction

### Post-operative Instructions

#### Activity:

- Walking is encouraged as soon as possible after surgery.
- No heavy lifting (>5lbs) or strenuous upper body exercise for 4 weeks after surgery.
- Wear your leg compression devices whenever you are not up and moving around during your recovery period, including when you are sleeping at night.

#### Dressing and Showering:

- You may remove your outer dressings and shower 24 hours after surgery. No baths/soaking/swimming for 2 weeks after surgery.
- Leave steri-strips in place and allow them to fall off on their own.
- Wear a compressive sports bra at all times until 6 weeks after surgery. NO underwire bras for 6 weeks after surgery.

**Call the office at (410) 486-3400 if you experience: increased pain, swelling, redness at surgical sites, pus draining from wound, or fever above 101.5F.**

Return to office for follow-up appointments on:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Week)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Week)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Post-operative instructions have been reviewed with me.

\_\_\_\_ I have received a copy of these instructions.

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Nurse

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Physician

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Patient or responsible party

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Relationship to patient