

SUTURE AND WOUND CARE INSTRUCTIONS

You have received stitches which should be removed at a certain time for the best result. For the face, this should be in 4-6 days. For the scalp and body, this is normally 10-14 days.

Your stitches will need to be removed at our office unless other specific arrangements have been made.

_____ **Your scheduled appointment is**

_____ **You will need to call our office tomorrow to schedule your appointment. Our office phone numbers are 479-443-7771 or 1-800-632-4601.**

You need to cleanse your stitches daily using hydrogen peroxide on a Q-tip *very gently*.

You need to keep a thin film of antibiotic ointment on your stitches at all times. This means you will have to apply it at least 3 or 4 times a day.

Your may get your stitches wet after 48 hours.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call our office at the above phone numbers from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, or call the Washington Regional Medical Center Operator at 713-1000 and have them page Dr. Atwood at any other time.