



UroCare

Practice Limited to Urology
and Urological Surgery

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VASECTOMY CANCELLATION

Twenty – four hours notice is required if you need to cancel your vasectomy appointment because a sterile set-up needs to be prepared for the patient before the procedure. *Failure to notify our office will result in a \$25.00 cancellation fee and a \$50.00 fee for the sterile surgical tray, for a total of \$75.00.*

I have read and agree to the above.

Patient Name: _____

Patient Signature: _____

Date: _____



VASECTOMY CONSENT FORM

The undersigned and his wife have been informed thoroughly regarding the procedure of a bilateral partial vasectomy. They are aware that this is, for practical purposes, an irreversible procedure and accept it as such. ***They have also been informed that the procedure is not an absolute guarantee against subsequent pregnancies, and accept this as such.***

They are aware that, as with any surgical procedure, complications may rarely occur, including swelling, tenderness, postoperative bleeding, and infections. They are further aware that we will take all precautions to prevent these complications and that they will contact us immediately should any suggestion of a problem occur.

I, _____, do hereby give my permission to Dr. James W. Faulkner III, Dr. David A. Guthman, Dr. Jerrold H. Seckler, or Dr. Helen C Ahn to perform a bilateral partial vasectomy.

WIFE _____

DATE OF SURGERY _____

If you wish to give us permission to release any information or records to your spouse, please sign your name here.

Signature of Patient

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PATIENTS UNDERGOING A VASECTOMY



PRIOR TO SURGERY

- A. It is important that you tell your doctor if you are taking any of the following:

Aspirin
Any product(s) containing aspirin
A blood thinning medication (such as Coumadin)

Let the doctor know if you have a bleeding tendency or blood disorder.

Note: You must be off the above mentioned medications for at least 5 days prior to your surgery in order to prevent any excessive bleeding afterwards. The doctor will instruct you on when to resume taking your blood thinning medication.

If you are unsure about any medication that you are taking, whether it contains aspirin or is a blood thinner, please call us with the name of the medication, and we will let you know.

- B. Scrub genitalia thoroughly with soap and water the night before surgery.
C. Shave entire scrotum and base of the penis.

AFTER SURGERY

- A. Limit physical activity for 2-3 days.
B. Keep incisions protected with a Band-Aid for 4-5 days.
C. Resume sexual activity in 5-6 days, but **DO CONTINUE** to use precautions for at least 12 weeks until semen has been checked twice and no sperm are found. You will **NOT** be sterile for at least 12 weeks. Semen will be checked for presence of sperm at 6 and 12 weeks after the surgery.
D. It is beneficial to wear a scrotal support for 10 days.

It is **VERY important** to call the office the morning of the day you are to bring the specimen in to be sure that the doctor is in. The specimen **MUST** be in a container provided by Urocare and should not be more than 3 hours old, or you may be asked to bring another specimen at another time.

Every effort will be made to verify coverage for this elective procedure; however, it is the responsibility of the patient to verify his/her coverage and or deductibles before the surgery. The patient must bring any referrals and/or co-pays otherwise full payment will be expected at the time of the surgery, or you can reschedule until all the information is obtained.

INSTRUCTIONS TO FOLLOW AFTER VASECTOMY
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1. Wear an athletic supporter (jock-strap) for several days. Thereafter, you may wear it as long as you are more comfortable with it than without it.
2. Avoid strenuous physical exercise or activities for three (3) to five (5) days. You may perform all other activities. You may shower 24 hours after the procedure.
3. All "stitches" will dissolve by themselves. They do not require removal. As the stitches dissolve, the incision may open a little and a small discharge from the wound or a slight amount of bleeding may develop. Do not worry about this. Place a small gauze sponge inside the supporter that you may wear until the incision heals.
4. If you have pain or discomfort immediately after the vasectomy, take two Tylenol tablets every 4 – 6 hours. An ice bag used for several hours, will provide additional comfort after the local anesthetic wears off. If any exterior bleeding occurs during the first forty-eight hours after surgery, pinch the bleeding area firmly between your fingers with a clean gauze or piece of cloth for ten minutes. If you continue to bleed, please contact the office.
5. A small amount of oozing, some tenderness, a black and blue discoloration and a mild swelling in the area of the incision are not unusual, and should subside within seventy-two (72) hours. These "problems" should be no cause for alarm. If there is an unusual amount of pain, a large swelling of the scrotum, or continued free bleeding, please call the office. The phone number is (847) 259-2410.
6. ***YOU ARE STILL FERTILE***, so maintain the usual precautions against pregnancy. At the time of your vasectomy, there are already many sperm stored in the reproductive system past the point at which the vasectomy was performed. It is necessary to rid yourself of these residual sperm before proceeding to unprotected intercourse. It usually takes fifteen (15) ejaculations to clear your system of all sperm. It is usual for this to take several months. ***UNTIL YOU HAVE TWO SPERM COUNTS WHICH SHOW NO SPERM, YOU MUST USE SOME OTHER FORM OF BIRTH CONTROL.***
7. At the time of your vasectomy, you will be given two semen specimen containers. It is very important to call the office before bringing in your specimen to make sure a doctor is here to check it.
8. Because of the possibility of the vas growing together again (recanalization), I strongly recommend a repeat semen analysis six (6) months after the vasectomy. You can arrange for this by calling my office. After six (6) months, recanalization is unlikely.
9. If you have any questions, please feel free to call (847) 259-2410.