

DermaBond or Glu-Stitch Wound Care Instructions

Your surgical site has been closed with a “super glue” specially designed to replace the outer layer of stitches. This glue completely seals your incision site. Wound care and suture removal are not necessary making it very convenient. There won’t be anything to do to your surgical site closed with these “super glues”. Our instructions will mainly counsel you on what not to do.

1. Do not perform dressing changes for 24 hours.
2. You may shower or bathe after 24 hours. Do not swim in chlorinated water. Chlorine dissolves the glue.
3. You may cover your site with a band aid or non-stick dressing and tape, but **DO NOT** apply anything to the site such as Vaseline, topical antibiotics, lotions, creams or make up.
4. If the skin glue begins to peel, do not peel it off or pick at it. Please allow it to fall off naturally. This can take up to 2 weeks.
5. The surgical wound closed with the glue will NOT look cosmetically pleasing for at least 2-3 weeks in most cases. The way the glue closes the wound causes redness and puckering of the surgical site. This is normal.

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