POST-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS CARPAL TUNNEL SURGERY

KEEP THE AFFECTED ARM ELEVATED, CLEAN, AND DRY.

YOU MAY LOOSEN THE ACE WRAP AND DRESSING IF IT FEELS TIGHT

YOU MAY REMOVE THE DRESSING AFTER 2-3 DAYS AND CLEAN THE INCISION WITH PEROXIDE DAILY. REDRESS WITH GAUZE AND REWRAP WITH ACE WRAP AFTER CLEANING.

FOR BATHING: COVER DRESSING WITH WATERPROOF BAG FOR FIRST 2-3 DAYS. AFTER THIS, COVER WOUND WITH WATERPROOF BANDAGE WHILE BATHING UNTIL SUTURES ARE REMOVED.

YOU MAY MOVE YOUR WRIST, HAND AND FINGERS AS TOLERATED WITH THE DRESSING ON. NO HEAVY LIFTING, BUT NORMAL ACTIVITIES OF EVERYDAY LIVING WITHIN YOUR TOLERANCE IS ENCOURAGED.

A SMALL AMOUNT OF BLOOD ON THE DRESSING IS NOT UNUSUAL.

FOLLOWUP APPOINTMENT: _____

MEDICATIONS: FOR PAIN _____ ONE PILL EVERY 4-6 HRS AS NEEDED/TAKE WITH FOOD

FOR INFLAMMATION _____

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