

Care Plan

After Endoscopic Craniosynostosis Surgery

Typical hospital stay is 24 hours



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Goals

In Order to go Home, Your Child Needs to Have:



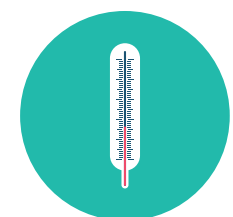
Regular Foods

Nursing staff will stop IV fluids when able to drink fluids (typically by nighttime on the day of surgery)



Pain Controlled With Oral Medication

Tylenol (acetaminophen) may be given by mouth as needed for pain – no narcotics



A Healthy Body Temperature

Fever is considered 101.5°F or greater



Wet Diapers and Bowel Movement

Changing usual number of diapers

Discharge Instructions



Receive Bathing Training from Nurses

A nurse will teach you how to bathe your child on the day after surgery; you should begin giving daily baths

2 days after surgery. Start baths on:



Five Days Total of Bacitracin Ointment

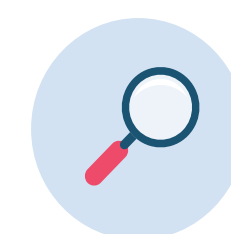
Apply medication to your child's head incision twice a day for 5 days total after surgery. Longer use can irritate the skin.



Expect Swelling for 3 Days

It is normal for your child's head to look puffy and then to get better. Holding your child and raising the head of the bed helps to decrease swelling.

Family Considerations



Are Questions or Concerns Resolved?

Be sure to know:

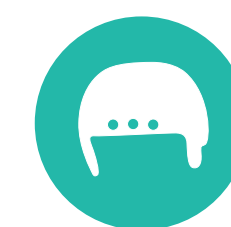
- When to come to the clinic for a post-surgery appointment
- How to bathe your child
- The phone number to call with a concern



Plan for Getting Home

How will you travel home?

Helmet Fitting



Please visit Dynamic Orthotics:

Today – after being discharged from the hospital

Monday – if discharged on a weekend

11155 South Main, Houston, TX 77025

713-747-4171

Craniosynostosis Clinic & Follow Up



All questions are welcome. We encourage you to call with any concern.

832-822-3950

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