## DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS

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## **SURGICAL PROCEDURE:** Male Sling Procedure INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1) No strenuous activity at all!
  - ie. = no exercise, no lifting, shoveling or sports, no sex, no grass mowing, no riding on a lawn mower. Moderate walking distances, up to 1 mile, is allowed (slowly) daily for first 7 days.
- 2) You may or may not have a catheter in your bladder when you leave the hospital. It is very common after this procedure to be unable to void. If you do have a catheter, you will be instructed on how to empty the bag, and switch from leg bag to overnight drainage bag.
- 3) Take your antibiotics as prescribed.
- 4) Take your pain medication as needed, but realize that this medication can cause constipation and it therefore may be advisable to take a laxative.

  This medication can also affect your reflexes and judgement.
- 5) Avoid driving a car for the first two weeks.
- 6) You may shower after 2 days, but do not sit in the tub.
- 7) Use a jock strap with gauze dressings and change as needed for 3-5 days.
- 8) Continue to take your routine medication unless your doctor has advised you differently.
- 9) Make sure you have an appointment to see your urologist day after surgery for catheter removal.

## **CALL YOUR DOCTOR:**

If you develop fever or chills. If the catheter stops draining. If you develop bleeding or increased redness at the incision or it opens up. If you are unable to urinate.