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# Mohs Micrographic Surgery

Your Mohs Surgery is: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Prior to Surgery**

- Please eat breakfast!
- You may take your regular medications.
- Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your appointment.

## **Mohs Surgery**

- Be prepared to spend up to 4-6 hours at the clinic.
- Mohs surgery involves removing the cancer in stages. It is impossible to know how many stages your cancer will need to be completely excised.
- The area is numbed with a local anesthetic. The anesthetic will not hamper driving or thinking clearly.
- Bring reading material or something to occupy your time as we process the tissue.
- You may choose to bring water or snacks.

# **After Surgery**

- You will have a bulky bandage for the first 48 hours following surgery.
- Avoid physical activity during recovery.
- You will receive specific post-care instructions after your surgery.
- If you experience mild pain, you may take Tylenol. Please avoid ibuprofen (Advil) or naproxen (Aleve).
- If you have questions or concerns during your recovery, please do not hesitate to call the office at (509) 783-2004. In case of severe pain or bleeding after clinic hours, please seek emergency care.
- Sutures will be removed in approximately 2 weeks.



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