

Examination of Eyes Under Anesthesia

Ophthalmology Clinic

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What to expect after surgery

Pain

- There should be no pain or discomfort after this procedure.

Wound Care

- The eyes may look a little red from being examined but this should resolve within a few hours.
- Some orange dye may have been used to get a better look at the eye's structures. This will pass through the tear system and you might see it coming from the nose or on the skin around the eyes. You can clean away any excess with a warm wet cloth.
- If a fluorescein angiogram was done, there would have been orange dye (fluorescein) injected into the blood stream. Your child will "pee this out" over the next several hours. Don't worry of their urine looks orange.
- No drops are needed unless advised by your doctor.
- ***Always wash your hands before and after caring for your surgical site.***

Activity

- The day after surgery, your child may resume normal activities, if they feel ready.
- There is no restriction on hair washing or swimming.



When to See Your Child's Doctor/ Go to the Emergency If...

- There is significant discharge from the eye or the wound.
- There is any increased eye/eyelid pain or redness after 48 hours.
- Child complains of vision loss.
- There are signs of infection such as increased pain, increased eye or eyelid swelling after day 3 or fever greater than 38.0C for more than 3 days.
- Your child vomits for more than 24 hours after the surgery.

Additional Instructions:



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Follow up

- You may already have a follow-up appointment booked with your child's surgeon. If not, please contact their office, at your earliest convenience, for your appointment.



Contact Information

- After hours, phone the Ophthalmology resident on call: 604-875-2161, ask for "Ophthalmology ON CALL".
- If there is an emergency and you cannot contact your surgeon's office, please call 9-1-1 or go to the emergency department at BC Children's Hospital.