

When to seek further treatment

You should seek medical treatment if you see any of the following changes in or around the wound:

- ▶ increasing redness
- ▶ increasing pain
- ▶ swelling
- ▶ bleeding
- ▶ the wound is larger or deeper
- ▶ the wound looks dried out or dark
- ▶ If any drainage is coming from in or around the wound and is increasing
- ▶ If any drainage is a thick, green or yellow pus or smells bad
- ▶ Or if you develop a fever.

If you are a maternity or gynaecology patient, please contact the Emergency Centre at King Edward Memorial Hospital on 6458 1433 or your nearest hospital if you are outside of the metropolitan area.

Alternatively, please contact your General Practitioner or call Health Direct (24 hour health advice) 1800 022 222.

If you are unable to obtain assistance as detailed above, you should present to the nearest emergency department.



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