

### Discharge advice following Hypospadias repair

Your child may have a catheter tube draining urine through the new urethra.

### If your child has a catheter

You will need to return to the Children's Outpatient Department, Lower Ground Floor, Christchurch Hospital or go to your GP to have the dressing and tube removed 7 - 10 days after surgery.

If the catheter falls out early and the dressing comes off, there is no need to keep your appointment. Please notify the Department on phone 364 0640 Extension 80732.

### Pain Relief

Pain may be controlled with regular paracetamol (up to four hourly and no more than four times a day). Bladder spasms (a painful feeling of wanting to pass urine) may be controlled with Ditropan which can be prescribed by a doctor if required. Low dose antibiotics are usually used while the catheter is in place.

### Wound care

A bath should be of a short duration until the dressing and tube are removed and during this period a "sponge" wash is adequate.

Urine may be slightly blood-stained for up to two weeks after surgery. Drinking extra fluids will help.

All stitches are dissolvable and do not need to be removed.

Your child may resume full activities when he feels up to it.

### Follow-up Consultation

A follow-up appointment for 2-6 weeks after the surgery will be sent to you.

*If the wound looks infected, please contact your GP or the Children's Outpatient Department*