Excision of Nevus - Pediatric

Before Surgery
● Explain to your child briefly about surgery and going to the hospital.
● Plan to take a couple of days off work to be with your child.

After Surgery
The nurse will tell you how to care for the incision site before you leave
● Your child may shower. No tub baths. Dress your child in loose clothing, and avoid pulling clothing over the incision site.
● No gym class or recesses until sutures are removed.

Check the incision daily for signs and symptoms of infection:
● Increased redness or swelling
● Red or hot incision
● Foul smelling drainage
● Fever over 100° F (under arm), over 101° (by mouth or in ear) or 102° (rectal)

Plan to visit your doctor in about 1 week.

Call Your Doctor
● Fever over 100° F for 2 readings taken 4 hours apart over (under arm), over 101° (by mouth or in ear) or 102° (rectal)
● Excess swelling
● Increased redness at incision site
● Bleeding or pus from incision
● Increase in pain

Phone Numbers
AFCH Pediatric Specialty Clinic, weekday’s 8:00 am to 5:00 pm: (608) 263-6420 option 4

After hours and weekends, the clinic number will give you the hospital paging operator.

Ask for plastic surgery resident on-call. Leave your name and phone number with the area code. The doctor will call you back
Toll-free Hospital Number: (800) 323-8942.