Inflatable Penile Implant Surgery Home Care

The penile implant is made of silicone and other things that the body does not reject. Problems after penile implants are rare.

After Surgery
- Your penis will likely be swollen and bruised for 4-6 weeks.
- You may have a tube to drain urine from your bladder for 24 hours after surgery.
- You will have some pain for up to 3 weeks after surgery. Take the pain medicine as directed by your doctor.
- You will take antibiotics to prevent infection.
- The bandage will be taken off 2-3 days after surgery.
- You should gently massage scrotal tissue and pull down the pump 3-4 times a day to prevent scarring and make it easier to work with the pump.
- Your doctor will show you how to inflate the implant around 4 – 6 weeks after surgery. You will need to inflate and deflate the device at least once a day, even when not being used for sex.

Activity
- Do not lift more than 10 pounds for 4 weeks after surgery.
- Avoid strenuous activity and contact sports for 4-6 weeks.
- You may resume sex 4-8 weeks after surgery.
- When you resume sex, you may have mild pain. It may help to use lubrication (i.e. K-Y Jelly®) or change positions.

When to Call the Doctor
- Not able to pass urine
- Blood in urine
- Increasing pain or swelling in your abdomen, penis or scrotum
- Temperature over 100.4° F by mouth, for 2 readings taken 4 hours apart
- Severe burning or pain when passing urine
- Redness of incision, or blood or pus-like drainage from the incision
- Open skin on the penis where the implant comes out
- Implant does not work as it should

Follow-Up Care
Your first follow-up visit will be made before you leave the hospital, and will likely be a 2-3 week exam for an incision check.

Phone Numbers
UW Health Urology
608-263-4757

UW Health at The American Center Urology
608-440-6464

UW Health One South Park Urology
608-287-2900

After hours, nights, weekends, and holidays, the clinic number is answered by the paging operator. Ask for the Urology Doctor on call. Leave your name and phone number with the area code. The doctor will call you back.

The toll free number is: 1-844-607-4800.

Your medical record number is: ________________________.
Your health care team may have given you this information as part of your care. If so, please use it and call if you have any questions. If this information was not given to you as part of your care, please check with your doctor. This is not medical advice. This is not to be used for diagnosis or treatment of any medical condition. Because each person’s health needs are different, you should talk with your doctor or others on your health care team when using this information. If you have an emergency, please call 911. Copyright © 5/2019 University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics Authority. All rights reserved. Produced by the Department of Nursing. HF#5983