

## Graft Care

Your surgical site was closed today using a skin graft. The graft site now has a bandage sutured in place that must remain in place until Dr. Eivins removes it. **It is very important to phone the office immediately if the bandage comes off.**

In order for the graft to revascularize it must remain in place and remain moist while healing.

Once Dr. Eivins has removed the bandage, it will be necessary to keep the site moist with Polysporin or Aquaphor 2-3 times a day and continue bandaging until you are told by Dr. Eivins or staff to stop bandaging.

You also have a second site (the Donor Site) that will need to be cared for. This site will need to remain covered and dry for 24 hours. After 24 hours take bandage off to shower, wash gently with mild soap and water. Apply polysporin 2-3 times per day and continue to bandage until sutures are removed. Do not let a scab form around sutures.

If you have increasing pain, redness or discharge. Please call the office **970-871-4811**. If it is after hours or on the weekend, please listen to the office voice message for the on call provider.