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### **ONE WEEK: AFTER SURGERY**

- You may resume your regular skin care routine, including washing with mild soap and water, applying moisturizer, make-up and sunscreen.
- Begin to cover the area with a bandage daily (***for the next 1-2 weeks***) as follows:
  1. **Clean and dry** the area with tap water and mild soap using a Q-tip or sterile gauze pad. When showering, you may also use plain Dove bar soap to produce suds to gently cleanse area.
  2. **Pat dry, then apply Vaseline** to the sutured area.
  3. **Cover the wound** with a band-aid or a sterile non-stick (Telfa) gauze pad and paper tape.

### **Possible Complications/When to Call the Office**

#### **Signs/symptoms of infection:**

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| • Redness                | • Fever                                 | • Increased pain            |
| • Swelling               | • Red streaking<br>around surgical site | • Foul smelling<br>drainage |
| • Warmth to the<br>touch | • Chills                                |                             |