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## **Post-Operative Instructions for Browlift**

- 1. Take your medication(s) as prescribed
- 2. Expect a small to moderate amount of pain, tenderness, swelling, numbness and bruising
- 3. Smoking may delay the healing process
  - i. If you smoke, reduce the amount as much as possible (or better yet, quit) for at least 2 weeks before and 2 weeks after surgery
- 4. A head dressing and drain will remain in place on the first night after surgery (this will most likely be removed the following day prior to discharge from hospital)
- 5. During the first week, the majority of your time should be spent relaxing, although some leisurely walking is permitted
- 6. At night and when resting, elevate your head with an extra pillow or two
- 7. It is common to get swelling and bruising around the eyes
- 8. Apply Polysporin<sup>®</sup> to the surgical incision(s) twice a day
- 9. You may wash your hair gently on the second post-operative day and daily thereafter
  - i. Do not use a hair dryer for at least 4 weeks post-op
  - ii. Tinting or colouring the hair is not advisable for at least 3 weeks post-op
- 10. Return in 5 to 7 days for inspection of the surgical site(s) and suture removal
- 11. Light activities and more walking are permitted at this time (i.e. 5 to 7 days post-op)
- 12. Return in 3 weeks for a follow-up visit
- 13. Normal activities are permitted at this time (i.e. 3 weeks post-op)

## IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS AT ALL, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE