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COLPOSCOPY

A Colposcopy is an examination of the cervix and vagina by means of a binocular microscope through which a magnified view of the cervix may be seen under a bright light. Your doctor will determine at the time of this microscopic examination if tissue samples of the cervix, vagina or cervical canal are necessary. If no tissue samples are biopsied, you may return to your normal activities, including intercourse.

When tissue samples are biopsied, they are sent to the pathology lab for further analysis. When the results from the specimen are received and reviewed by your physician one of our nurses will contact you.

POST COLPOSCOPY INSTRUCTIONS FOLLOWING TISSUE BIOPSY

1. If a tampon has been inserted, please remove it in 4-6 hours. Do not reinsert another tampon. Use only pads until bleeding stops.
2. Do not resume intercourse for one week or until bleeding stops—whichever is greater.
3. You may resume normal activities including showers and tub baths as desired.
4. If bleeding occurs that is heavier than a menstrual period, please call the office.

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