

Going home with a wound drain after plastic surgery

Department of Plastic Surgery
Information for Patients

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Introduction

Please read this information before you go home. The nursing team will go through '**drain discharge checklist**' with you and answer any questions.

At home

If you need help with your drain once you are at home, please contact the nursing team at any time on: (ward please write in phone number)

Telephone:

Staff from the Burns and Plastics Dressing Clinic are available Monday to Friday 8.30am to 3.30pm on **0116 258 5328**.

Please remember to:

- empty the drain and measure the amount of fluid as instructed every morning at 8am. **Make sure you know how to do this before you go home.**
- call the ward with the measured volume.
- If it has drained less than 30mls in the last 24 hours (1 day) please contact the ward to arrange to come in to have your drain removed.

Problems with your drain

Do not worry if the drain falls out. Simply place the pad provided over the small hole where it has come from. Secure it with the tape and telephone the ward. Please do not throw away the tubing or bottle. You will need to bring them with you to the ward.

If your drain starts to leak or the tubing becomes disconnected anywhere, place the pad provided over the leak or the end of the tube. Secure it with tape and contact the ward for advice. You will need to bring the bottle and tubing with you when you return to the ward.

If you feel concerned with any redness, swelling, bruising, blockage of the drain or pain, please contact the ward for advice.

Always wash your hands well before emptying or measuring your drain to reduce the risk of infection.

Throw away the contents of your daily drainage fluid into the toilet.

Contact details

Burns and Plastics Dressing Clinic: **0116 258 5328**

Ward 9: **0116 258 7823**

Kinmouth Unit: **0116 258 5327**

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