BABY CIRCUMCISION CLINIC AT THE PORTLAND HOSPITAL

WHAT IS A CIRCUMCISION?

A circumcision is the removal of the retractable fold of skin that covers the end of the penis. The procedure to remove it is carried out for religious, cultural, or medical reasons.

THE PATIENT JOURNEY

Consultation:

- The baby circumcision clinic is open for newborn babies up to the age of eight weeks.
- As the parents or guardians of the baby, you will need to make an appointment to have a consultation with one of our paediatric urology consultants. Call our team on 020 7390 6227. Your consultation will be at 84 Harley Street.
- As with all procedures, there may be some risks and side effects, and your consultant will explain these to you and answer any questions you may have.
- Our team will carry out a number of checks to make sure they identify any risks of complications. Please bring your baby's medical record with you if you have it.

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Procedure:

- The circumcision surgery will be performed at **84 Harley Street Outpatients Clinic**.
- You'll be asked to sign a consent form on behalf of your baby. We will also send a checklist to help prepare you and your baby before coming in to the hospital for the surgery.
- After the procedure, your baby will be observed in the clinic, and will be discharged once the team are happy with their post-op observations.

Recovery from a circumcision:

- After the surgery, your baby will be discharged from hospital and will be transferred to the recovery area. You and your baby should be able to go home the same day.
- You will be provided with an advice sheet on aftercare postcircumcision. Your baby will probably have some discomfort for a few days. Encourage him to drink plenty of fluids or ask your consultant for their advice on pain relief.

To book appointment, call our appointments team on **020 7390 6227**

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