ALDONA J. SPIEGEL, MD PLASTIC SURGEON & BREAST DESIGNER

SURGERY INSTRUCTIONS The Methodist Hospital

Your surgical procedure with Dr. Spiegel has been scheduled at Houston Methodist Hospital in the Medical Center. Please report to The Methodist Hospital, 6565 Fannin, on the 3rd floor of the Main building, Main 3 NW. Their phone number is 713-441-1034.

Please follow the instructions below:

- Pre-register for your surgery with the hospital by calling patient registration at 713-394-6805.
- You will need an appointment with the pre-operative anesthesia evaluation clinic (APEC) prior to your surgery date. You will be assessed by anesthesia and will have any blood work or other testing done while you are there. Please bring a list of any medications, vitamins, or supplements you are currently taking. You may walk-in without an appointment, however patients that have appointments will be seen before those that do not. If you would like to secure an appointment, please call 713-441-6504, option 3. You should expect your appointment to take approximately an hour. The pre-operative assessment center is located in the Scurlock Tower, on the 3rd floor, at 6560 Fannin Street. The hours of operation are 10 AM 6 PM, Monday through Friday.
- Please **start** taking iron supplementation with vitamin C as soon as possible.
- Do not take aspirin or products containing aspirin, vitamin E, fish oil, herbal supplements, or any medications that would cause bleeding, 3 weeks prior to surgery. If you are taking Tamoxifen/Arimidex, you will need to stop this medication 3 weeks prior to surgery as well. Attached is a list of medications not to be taken 3 weeks before surgery. Take Tylenol if necessary.
- **Do not** smoke for at least 8 weeks before and 6 weeks after surgery. Avoid nicotine gum and patches.
- **Do not** eat or drink anything after midnight the night before or the morning of your surgery unless otherwise instructed at your pre-operative assessment visit.

If you have any questions, please call the office at 713-441-6102.

Houston Methodist Hospital Map Information

HELPFUL INFORMATION

General Information

Transportation Assistance 713.441.4246

Security 713.441.4246

Emergency Department 713.441.1016 Located in Main Building,

Hospital Address Houston Methodist Hospital 6565 Fannin Sreet Houston, Texas 77030

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Neurosensory/Jones Tower, Level B1 entry

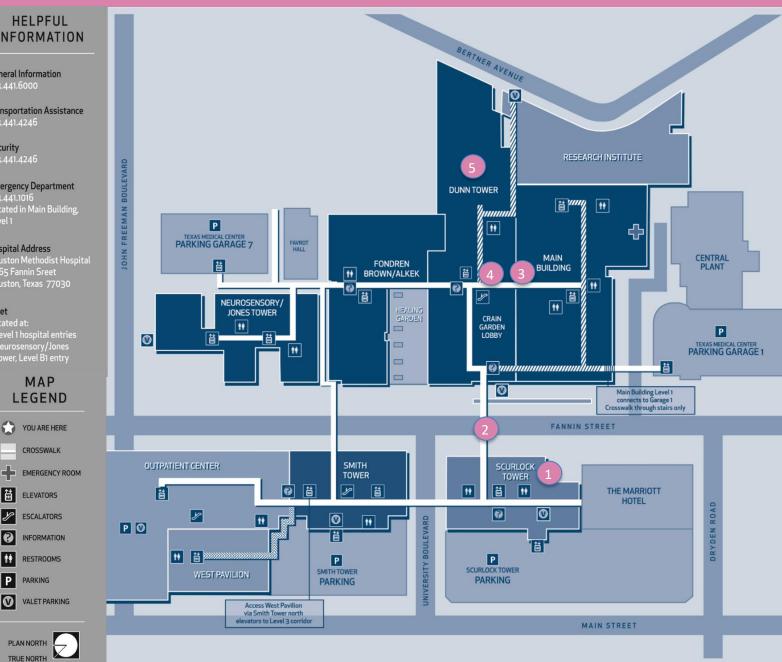






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- 1 Scurlock Tower:
 - Office 22nd Floor Suite 2200
 - APEC 3rd Floor
- 2 Crosswalk to Hospital on 2nd Floor
- 3 Check in for Surgery Main 3 NW
- 4 Family Waiting Area: Dunn 3rd Floor
- 5 Plastic Surgery Hospital Floor: Dunn 8th or 9th Floor

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Pre-Operative Instructions

8 Weeks Before Surgery					
Smoking					
Smoking compromises blood flow by causing spasm of blood vessels and significantly increases the risk of wound healing problems. Therefore, DO NOT SMOKE for at least 8 weeks before and 6 weeks after surgery. This also applies to second hand smoke; therefore do not stay in rooms with cigarette smokers.					
3 Weeks Before Surgery					
Pre-operative Labs					
Preoperative lab work must be obtained and reviewed prior to surgery. The lab work and testing will need to be completed 3 weeks prior to surgery.					
2 Weeks Before Surgery					
Medications					
Do not take any medication containing aspirin or anti-inflammatories (Advil, Aleve), including cold formulas, for at least 2 weeks prior to surgery. Please let us know if you are taking or have been taking any herbal supplements, fish oil or vitamin E. These will need to be discontinued 2 weeks prior to surgery. Please refer to the Medication List link for some frequently used medications that contain aspirin or an anti-inflammatory. These compounds have a tendency to decrease the average clotting capacity and increase bleeding during surgery. Tylenol may be used instead as it does not have these untoward effects. If you are on Tamoxifen , you need to stop taking this medication 3 weeks before surgery.					

1 Week Before Surgery

Hibiclens® Soap

Use Hibiclens^{*} (over-the-counter antibacterial skin cleanser) in the shower instead of soap for 3 days prior to surgery. Apply the minimum amount of Hibiclens^{*} necessary to cover the skin from shoulders to thighs and wash gently. Rinse again thoroughly (be careful not to get the product on your face, eyes, or ears). You do not need a prescription for this.

Notification of Illness

Notify our office promptly if cold, fever, or any illness appears before surgery. Call in any allergies, medications, or conditions you may have forgotten to tell us about.

Night Before Surgery

Eating and Drinking

Do not eat or drink anything after midnight the night before surgery unless you are otherwise instructed at your preassessment appointment. If you are diabetic and take insulin you will be instructed how to take your medication and discuss this with your anesthesiologist during the preoperative visit.

Arrival for Surgery

Please be punctual. If you are running late please call ahead, but be aware that not arriving on time may cause cancellation of your surgery. Please report to Methodist Hospital, 6565 Fannin, to the 3rd floor of the Main building which is Main 3NW for admission. Their phone number is 713441-1034. Dr. Spiegel will see you the morning of surgery to address any last minute questions or concerns. She will place your pre-operative markings at that time.

Pre-Operative Instructions Symmetry/Revisions Updated May 2020

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Dear Patient,

Please be aware that we **will not** contact you if your pre-operative work-up is **normal**, however, rest assured we **will** contact you if any of your test results are **abnormal**. If you would like a copy of your results, we can make them available at your next visit.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Aldona J. Spiegel

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taking these medications 2 weeks before surgery!

A 4-Way Cold Tablets Advil Alka-Seltzer plus Cold Anaprox, Anaprox DS Argesic Arthritis Bayer Aspirin Arthrotec Ascriptin A/D Tablets Ascriptin with Codeine **Aspirin** (<u>any brand</u>)

Bayer Aspirin Tablets Bayer Select Pain Formula Buf-Tabs Buff-A Comp Tabs/Capsules Bufferin, Extra Strength Buffets II Buffinol

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Aches-N-Pain Tablets Aleve Amigesic Anodynos Artha-G Arthritis Strength Bufferin A.S.A. Enseals Ascriptin Extra-Strength Asper Buf Tablets Asprimox

В

Bayer Children's Aspirin Bayer Time-Release Aspirin Buff-A Comp No. 3 (with Codeine) Buffaprin Bufferin Buffex

Cama Arthritis Pain Reliever Children's Motrin Suspension Darvon Compound Pulvules Darvon-N with A.S.A. Diflunisal Capsules Doan's Pills

Easprin Endodan Equazine-M Feldene Capsules Fiorinal Gelpirin Halfprin

C-D

Cataflam Clinoril Darvon Compound-65 Dasin Capsules Diflunisal Dolobid Tablets

E-H

Ecotrin Epromate Etodolac Fenoprofen Fiorinal with Codeine Gensan Haltran Adprin-B Tablets Alka-Seltzer Tablets Anacin Ansaid Arthralgen Arthropan A.S.A. Tablets Ascriptin Tablets Aspergum Axotal

Bayer Children's Cold Tabs BC Tablets or Powder

Bufferin, Arthritis Strength Bufferin with Codeine No. 3 Buffinol Extra

- Children's Advil Suspension Cope Darvon with A.S.A. Daypro Disalcid Capsules
- Emagrin Equagesic Excedrin Tabs/Capsules Fiorgen PF Flurbiprofen Goody's Headache Powder **Herbal Supplements**

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S-A-C Salflex Salsitab St. Joseph Children Aspirin Synalgos Capsules	Saleto Salocol SK-65 Compound Capsules Sulindac	Saleto-200,400,600,800 Salsalate St. Joseph Children Cold Tabs Supac

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Talwin Compound Tamoxifen Tricosal Trilisate Tabs/Liquid

Vitamin E

T-Z

Tolectin 200, 600 Tabs Toradol Injection/Tabs Trigesic VanquishVerin Zorprin

Tolmetin Tabs/Capsules Trendar **Tri-Pain Tablets** Voltaren

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Post-Operative Instructions

Medications

There are 6 medications that you will be prescribed after surgery:

- 1. Antibiotic- to be continued for 10 days
- 2. **Pain Medication** to be taken as needed, you may take Tylenol if you do not feel like you needed a stronger medication. Pain medication might make you feel groggy and constipated and cannot be mixed with alcohol. It is also not safe to drive while taking pain medication
- 3. Colace this is a stool softener that you can take as needed
- 4. **Flexeril:** this is a muscle relaxer that can be taken as needed for muscle spasming of the chest muscles. Note, this medication may make you feel drowsy
- 5. Zinc and Selenium: supplements we recommend you start taking after surgery to help with wound healing

Do Not take aspirin or anti-inflammatories such as ibuprofen (Motrin/Advil) or naproxen (Aleve) for at least 2 weeks post operatively.

Surgical Garments



POST-SURGICAL BRA (this will be given to you in the hospital)

The Dale Bra offers soft support after your procedure and closes in the front. It uses a fabric that allows it stretch with post-operative swelling.

You will have activity restrictions to include: no lifting/pushing/pulling with the arm of the operated breast and no lifting that arm above 45 degrees for at least the first week post op.

We recommend having shirts available that either zip or button in the front, so you do not have to lift your arm above your head.

Swelling

After surgery, your breast(s) will feel swollen around the incisions, especially at the end of the day. This is normal and usually takes at least a month or more to resolve. If you have signs of redness, swelling or separation of the skin at the surgical site, a temperature above 101 degrees, increased pain at the surgical site, increased drainage output or bad odor from the surgical site, contact our office at 713-441-6102.

Incision Care

Check incision sites daily. Some of your incisions may be covered with Dermabond tape or Steri Strips which will be removed in clinic. The incisions may have minimal draining which will discolor the tape/strips. If you have persistent draining please call our clinic. You may also have bruising (black, blue, or purple) at any of your surgical incisions which is normal. If you had liposuction, you may experience more discomfort and bruising in this area. **Do not** submerge your incisions in a bath, pool, etc. until cleared by your doctor.

Drains

You will be discharged home with drains in place. There are usually 2 drains in each operated breast. It is necessary to record total daily output for each drain. When the drain is near full, empty the contents into a measuring cup and record the amount in mL (equal to cc). Strip the drain tubing 7 times per day starting where it exits the skin to remove any clots that might clog the drain. If the drain requires emptying more than once per day, enter the **Daily Total** in the appropriate space on the drain record sheet. When your drain output is less than 25mL total per drain in 24 hours for two consecutive days, the drain will be removed in clinic. We use silastic drains, which reduce any discomfort during removal of the drain. You should continue taking antibiotics until your last drain has been removed. The small opening that will remain in the skin will seal in 24-72 hours. This opening may have a small amount of drainage, and can be covered with dry gauze until it seals.

Showering

You will be able to shower 48 hours after surgery. Remove surgical bra and gauze before showering. Shower with your back to the water. Allow the surgical incisions to dry before replacing your bra. Do not apply powder, creams, ointments, or lotion to incisions until completely healed. Baths can be resumed 1 month after surgery and swimming 8 weeks after surgery.

Activities

Do not lift, push, or pull objects over 7 pounds until you are released to resume normal activities. **No** exercise or weight training for at least 2 weeks to avoid straining your incisions. **Don't** push a vacuum or do other strenuous housework until you have been seen and cleared in the office.

If you had a repair of an abdominal bulge or hernia, **do not** lift, push, or pull objects over 5 pounds. No abdominal exercises or exercises that use your abdomen and core for 3 months. This includes any high impact, weights, yoga, Pilates or other similar exercise.

Sleep Position

You should only sleep on your back and avoid sleeping on the reconstructed breast for at least 6 weeks after surgery. If you prefer, you might find a recliner helpful to prevent you from rolling on your side while sleeping.

Work

You will be able to return back to a desk job, or light duty approximately 4 weeks after surgery. Be mindful that this should be gradual because you will feel tired more quickly and lack the normal reserve of energy.

Support

You will need someone to help you when you return home for the first few days. Ask you friends and family to help you with chores and errands while you recover.

Driving

You may start driving after you have stopped all pain medication and 1 week after your last drain has been removed. It is best to wait at least 2-3 weeks after surgery, in order to feel confident when driving.

Smoking

ABSOLUTELY NO SMOKING for six weeks after surgery (this includes staying out of rooms with smokers).

Mammograms

A routine mammogram does not need to be performed on the reconstructed breast, after a mastectomy. However, it can be performed if requested by your oncologist or other physician. You should still perform a self-breast exam on the reconstructed breast and keep note of any changes in the scar and breast skin. **Breast imaging needs to be current, within at least 6 months of your surgery date**.

Scar Therapy

SCAR THERAPY RESULTS





Scar after breast reduction

After 7 weeks of treatment with Silagen*

Before and after photos of Silagen Scar therapy

Silagen

WHY DO I NEED IT?

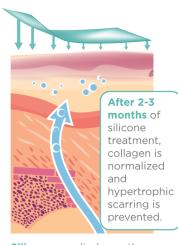
It is natural to be concerned about scars. Some patients, are genetically prone to hypertrophic or keloid scar formation, including those with more pigmented skin. In clinical studies Silagen sheeting showed a greater and faster improvement in scar maturation. Silagen Silicone Gel Sheeting is made with the highest quality medical grade silicones. The 1mm thick sheets, strips and shapes feature and advanced adhesion technology which means they conform well to the body and remain in place. They can be washed and reused for up to 4 weeks.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

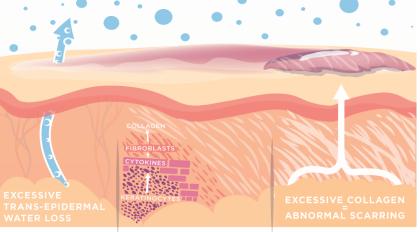
Silagen creates a protective barrier over the scar, which increases hydration and provides the optimal environment to normalize collagen production. This will help flatten and soften your scar, and reduce redness, discoloring, itching, and pain. You will begin to see results in as little as 3 weeks, but best results are seen after 3 months.

HOW DO I USE IT?

You can start using the Silagen 8 weeks after surgery as long as there are no open areas or scabbing. You place it on your incision(s) and wear it for 6 - 24 hours. The longer you wear the Silagen, the better the results.



Silicones applied over the scar provide occlusion and hydration of the stratum corneum, down-regulating keratinocyte stimulation and prevent further signaling to produce more collagen.



Scar tissue exhibits excessive TEWL for as long as one year post-wound healing. This abnormally high level of water evaporation stimulates keratinocytes to produce cytokines, which in turn signal the activation of fibroblasts to synthesize collagen.

Left unchecked, excessive collagen production can lead to abnormal scarring.

Drain Care Information

You may be discharged home with drains in place. Typically, two drains are placed to each operated breast. The nurses on the floor will teach you how to care for your drains and you will be discharged home with these drains. It is necessary to record total daily output of each drain. When the drain is near full, empty the contents into a measuring cup and record the amount in cc (equal to mL). Strip the drain tubing 6 -7 times daily, starting where it exits the skin to remove clots that might clog the drain. If the drain requires emptying more than once per day, enter the daily total in the appropriate space on the drain record sheet. There will be a small suture around the drain and a tegaderm dressing to secure it in place, this is able to get wet. You may shower with drains, but please shower with the water to your back, and after showering pat all incisions dry. Please don't remove the dressing, it will be removed at your clinic appointment. When your drain output is less than 25 cc within a 24 hour period for 2 consecutive day, the drain will be removed in clinic. We use silastic drains, which reduce any discomfort during removal of the drain. You should continue taking antibiotics until your last drain has been removed. Once the drain is removed the small opening may have a small amount of drainage and can be covered with dry gauze until it seals closed. Typically, the drain site will close in 48-72 hours.



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Date: _____

Patient:

Pre-Operative Patient Satisfaction Survey

At the Center for Breast Restoration, patient care and satisfaction is our number one priority. With your input we will be able to assess where we need to make improvements as well as acknowledge what we are doing right. We appreciate your time, consideration, and candor when completing this survey. Thank you!

Making Your Decision								
1. How did you hear about the Center for Breast Restoration?Webs	ite 🗖	Docto	or 🖬 🛛 F	riend 🗖	Other 🖵			
2. Did you find the website helpful?	No 🗖	Yes 🗖	Did N	lot Apply				
3. Spoke to other plastic surgeons before making decision?	Yes 🗖	Number of others?						
4. Spoke to General Surgeon before your initial consult with us?	No 🗖	Yes 🗖						
5. Your phone calls were returned within 24 hours?	No 🗖	Yes 🗖						
6. Reasonable time between requesting appointment and your visits	No 🗖	Yes 🗖	_					
Arrival	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Very Good			
1. Experience checking in with the receptionist	🗖							
2. Wait time before going to exam or consultation rooms	🗖				3 .			
Wait time before seeing the Physician					4.			
Communication regarding any delays	נ							
5. Were you shown the videos and/or photo album No 🗖 Yes 🗖 Were they helpful? No 🗖 Yes								
Clinic Coordinator	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Very Good			
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2. Degree to which Coordinator explained treatment to your satisfaction	n 🗖							
3. Degree to which Coordinator listened to your concerns	🗖							
4. Degree to which Coordinator explained pre-operative requirements	🗖							
5. Degree to which Coordinator was knowledgeable of your treatment	🗖							
6. Your overall level of confidence in the Coordinator	🗖							

Biller Very	Poor	Fair	Good	Very	N/A
Poor 1. Degree to which Biller was friendly and helpful				Good	
2. Degree to which Biller explained insurance to your satisfaction \Box					
3. Degree to which Biller explained any out of pocket costs					
4. Degree to which Biller assisted with getting "in network exception" \Box					
5. Degree to which Biller was knowledgeable about insurance policies $lacksquare$					
6. Your overall level of confidence in the Biller					
Physician Very	Poor	Fair	Good	Very	
Poor 1. Degree to which Physician was friendly and helpful				Good	
2. Degree to which Physician explained treatment to your satisfaction					
3. Degree to which Physician listened to your concerns					
4. Your overall level of confidence in the Physician					
General Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Very Good	
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2. Level of your comfort with treatment plan					
3. Level of your understanding of pre-operative responsibilities $lacksquare$					
4. Level of your expectations for treatment results \Box					
5. Your overall level of confidence going into your procedure $lacksquare$					
6. Likelihood of recommending our practice					
Comments/Suggestions					
Are you interested in learning more about our cosmetic products an	d aesth	etic ser	vices? 🗆	Yes 🗖	No