

EXCISION OF HYDROCOELE

What is a “hydrocoele”?

- A hydrocoele is a fluid filled sac surrounding the testis
- A small hydrocoele is normal, and may provide protective support
- A large hydrocoele may be uncomfortable and limit physical activity

Why do I need this?

- Hydrocoeles are usually excised due to discomfort and large size

How long does it take?

- 30 minutes under a general anaesthetic

What are the risks?

- Haematoma, or blood collection in the scrotum
- Wound infection
- Recurrence of hydrocoele

What can I expect after surgery?

- This is usually performed as a day surgery procedure
- Tight supportive underpants are needed to avoid swelling of the scrotum
- Avoid heavy lifting and physical exertion for 1 - 2 weeks
- Your wound is held together by a dissolvable stitch under the skin
- You will be given an appointment about 3 weeks following surgery

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