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手术后的便秘 *其原因及如何处理*

这本讲义为您解释为什么手术后便秘很常见,并提供了减少便秘的有用提 示。

什么是便秘?

便秘是指大便次数减少,大便更硬。症状包括腹部不适、胀气、肿胀,以及 排便时必须使力。

手术后便秘是很常见的。这可能会引起不适,直到您恢复正常的排便状态。

为什么手术后会便秘?

当发生下列情况时,消化系统的运作可能减缓、而导致便秘:

- 一贯的饮食习惯有所改变
- 服用处方的止痛药
- 不像往常那样活动

减少便秘的提示

- 服用医生所开的 软便剂。
- 增加喝液体的分量. 这有助于保持 粪便柔软。每天喝6到8杯水 (每杯8盎司)。这不包括在您 吃饭时喝的其他汤类及饮料。

如有下列现象即表示喝的水还不 够:

- 一排尿量比正常情况少
- 一尿色变深, 且气味强烈
- 一站起来时感到头昏



如您对在家的自我护理有任何 问题或疑虑, 请与护士联系。

 吃高纤维的食物。获取纤维的最简单方法是吃早餐麦片。寻找每份纤维含 量为5克或以上的品牌。纤维含量是在麦片盒侧面的营养信息栏一起列 出。一些高纤维麦片包括:小麦丝(Shredded Wheat)、全麦麸(All-Bran)和燕麦麸(Oat Bran)。

以下的食物也是富含纤维的:干花生和无盐花生、全麦面包、其他全 麦制品、白胡萝卜、西柚、哈密瓜、熟胡萝卜、西梅、豌豆、烤豆、 芸豆和其他豆类、扁豆和分豆。

- 尽量在每天的同一时间进餐,尤其是早餐。这有助于排便恢复规律。
- **如医生说可以喝咖啡,那就在早餐时喝一些**。咖啡有助于肠道的蠕动。无咖啡因的咖啡也可以。
- 早餐时喝梅子汁(冷的或热的)。
- **早餐后散步或做其他锻炼**,以帮助食物在肠道内移动。
- **如觉得有便意就去试着排便**。大多数人在饭后 **20** 分钟左右就会有便 意。
- **不要只坐在马桶上看书**。长时间坐在马桶上会引起胀痛或痔疮。等到 感觉到有排便意时,才坐到马桶上。

泻药

有时在手术后,泻药可以帮助肠道开始蠕动。您可以在任何一家药店购买 这些药物,无需处方("非处方药")。

- 镁奶液 (Milk of Magnesia liquid): 一夜见效
- 直肠栓剂 (Biscodyl rectal suppositories)。大约 20 分钟就能见效.
- 灌肠剂 (Fleets enema):约 15 分钟见效。

如以前用过不同的泻药,而且效果很好,请问你的护士是否可以再次使用。

何时需要与医生联系

可以致电左栏"您有疑问吗"所提供的电话号码:

- 排便次数比正常情况少很多
- 恶心及呕吐
- 站立时感到头晕或头重脚轻。

您有疑问吗?

我们很重视您的提问。如有 疑问或顾虑、请致电您的医 生或医护提供者。

周一至周五 请致电:

- □ **华大医疗中心外科:** 206.598.4477 (上午 8 点至下午 5 点.)
- □ UWMC 8-Southeast Oncology Unit 华大医 疗中心 8 楼肿瘤科: 206.598.8300 (上午 8 点至下午 4:30)
- □ 华大体育医学中心位于体 育场 206.598.3294 接通 后请按 8

下班后及周末假期:请致电 206.598.6190,接通后请传 呼当值的住院医生。

或: 请接线生传呼您的医生:

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Constipation After Your Operation

Why it happens and what you can do

This handout explains why it is common to become constipated after surgery, and offers helpful tips to decrease constipation.

What is constipation?

Constipation is when your bowels move less often and your stools are more firm. Symptoms include abdominal discomfort, bloating, swelling, and having to strain when having a bowel movement.

It is common to become constipated after having surgery. This can cause discomfort until you get back to your regular schedule.

What causes constipation after surgery?

Your digestion may work more slowly and you can get constipated when:

- There are changes in your usual eating habits
- You are taking prescription pain medicines
- You are not as active as usual

Tips to Decrease Constipation

- **Take the stool softener** that your doctor prescribed.
- Increase how much liquid you drink. This helps keep your stools soft. Drink 6 to 8 glasses (8 ounces each) of water every day. This is besides the other liquids you drink with your meals.

You are **not** drinking enough if:

- The amount that you urinate is less than normal
- Your urine is dark-colored and strong-smelling
- You feel dizzy when you stand up



Please call to talk with a nurse if you have any questions or concerns about your self-care at home.

• Eat foods that are high in fiber. The easiest way to get fiber is by eating breakfast cereal. Look for brands with 5 grams or more fiber per serving. Fiber content is listed with the nutrition information on the side of the cereal box. Some high-fiber cereals include Spoon Size Shredded Wheat, All-Bran, and Oat Bran.

These foods are also high in fiber: dry and unsalted peanuts, whole wheat bread, other whole-grain products, parsnips, grapefruit, cantaloupe, cooked carrots, prunes, peas, baked beans, kidney and other beans, lentils, and split peas.

- Try to have meals, especially breakfast, at the same time each day. This helps get your bowels back on a regular schedule.
- If your doctor says it is OK for you to drink coffee, have some at breakfast. Coffee helps move your bowels. Decaf coffee works, too.
- **Drink prune juice** (cold or warm) at breakfast.
- Walk or do other exercise after breakfast to help food move through your intestines.
- **If you feel the urge, try to go.** Most people feel the urge to have a bowel movement about 20 minutes after a meal.
- **Do not just sit on the toilet and read.** Sitting on the toilet for a long time can cause painful swelling or hemorrhoids. Wait until you feel the urge to have a bowel movement, then sit on the toilet.

Laxatives

Sometimes after an operation, a laxative can help your bowels start to move. You can buy these medicines without a prescription ("over the counter") at any drugstore:

- Milk of Magnesia liquid: Works overnight.
- **Biscodyl rectal suppositories:** Work in about 20 minutes.
- Fleets enema: Works in about 15 minutes.

If you have used a different laxative before and it worked well, ask your nurse if it's a good idea to use it again.

When to Call

Call one of the numbers in the "Questions" box at left if you:

- Are having a lot fewer bowel movements than what is normal for you
- Are sick to your stomach and throwing up
- Feel dizzy or lightheaded when you stand up

Questions?

Your questions are important. Call your doctor or healthcare provider if you have questions or concerns.

On weekdays, call:

- ☐ UWMC Surgical Specialties Center, 206.598.4477 (8 a.m. to 5 p.m.)
- ☐ UWMC 8-Southeast Oncology Unit, 206.598.8300 (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)
- ☐ UW Sports Medicine Center at Husky Stadium, 206.598.DAWG (3294) and press 8

After hours and on weekends and holidays, call 206.598.6190 and ask for the resident on call for Surgery to be paged.

Or, ask for your doctor to be paged: