

Salivary Gland Duct Ligation

Ear, Nose, and Throat Clinic

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What to expect after surgery

Hospital stay

- Your child will need to stay in hospital for 2-3 days after their surgery. Their care team will make sure your child can eat, drink, and swallow.

Pain and swelling

- Your child may have mild pain for about 1 week after surgery.
- To help with pain, you can give your child Tylenol (Acetaminophen), Advil (Ibuprofen), or both. Follow the directions on the bottle.
- Your child will have some puffiness around their cheeks and mouth. This usually starts to get better after about 3 days.

Diet

- Your child can start eating a normal diet when they feel ready. This could take a few days.

Activity

- Your child can return to their normal activities when they feel ready.



Call the ENT Clinic Nurse or Seek Medical Attention if:

- Your child has a fever of 38.5°C or higher that lasts for more than 24 hours, starting 2 or more days after surgery
- Your child's pain does not get better with pain medicine.
- Your child cannot eat or drink.
- Your child's swelling gets worse more than 3 days after surgery.
- Your child's cheeks are red.
- You have other worries about your child.



Follow up

- Your child should return to the ENT clinic for a follow-up visit 8-12 weeks after their surgery.
- After your child's surgery, call your doctor's office to schedule this visit.



Contact information

- ENT office:
604-875-2113
- ENT clinic nurse:
604-875-2345 ext. 7053
Monday to Fridays, except holidays
8:30am-4:30pm