2025 COMMON OFFICE PROCEDURES for Adult & Family Primary Care



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OBJECTIVES



- Discuss common procedures in ambulatory care in relation to their causes, incidence of, indications and contraindications for each procedure
- Review relevant client instructions
- Demonstrate common procedures
- Observe student performance of these procedures

ISSUES



- Adequate training
- Consistent with policy?
- Reimbursement

CONSIDERATIONS FOR ALL PROCEDURES



- Description of Procedure
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Indications / Contraindications
- Precautions
- Assessment









LOCAL ANESTHESIA

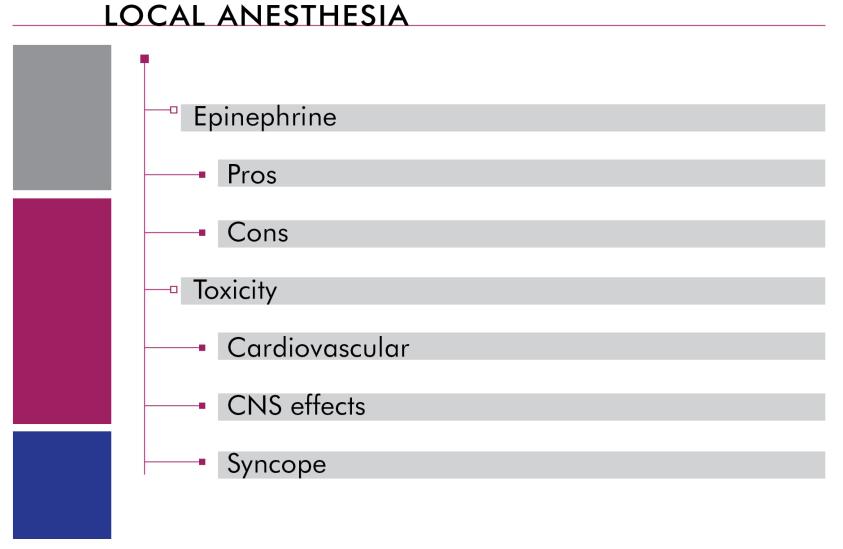
- Infiltrates tissues and diffuses across neural sheaths and membranes
- Mechanism of action:
 - Interferes with neural depolarization and transmission of impulses
- 1% lidocaine blocks pain
 - 2% lidocaine blocks all sensations

LOCAL ANESTHESIA Pharmacological Properties Onset of action Duration **Toxicity** All are affected by local vascularity, type and

epinephrine

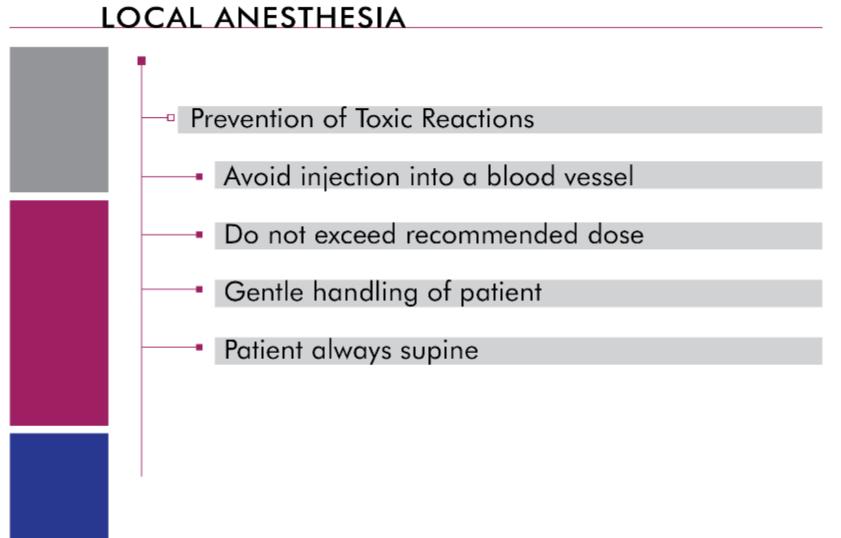
amount of anesthetic, concentration, technique,

accuracy of injection, and adjunctive use of

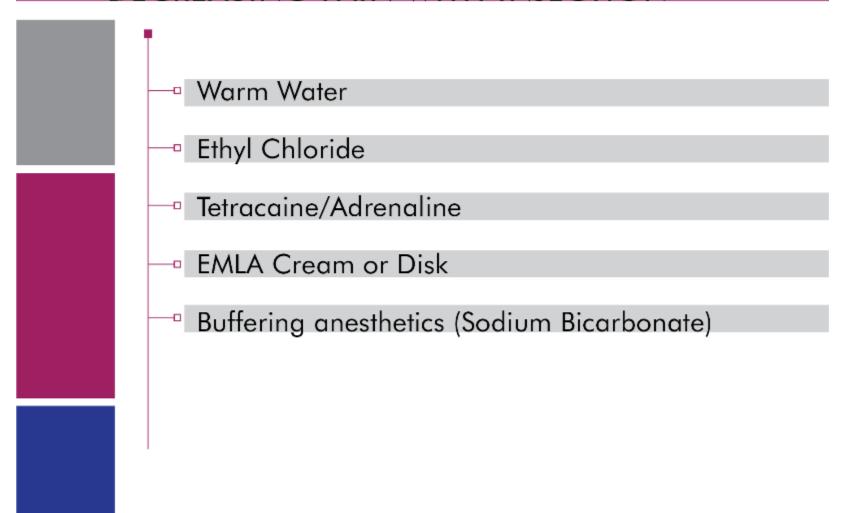


LOCAL ANESTHESIA

Agent	Concentration	Onset	Duration	Max Dose
Lidocaine	1%	<1 min	0.5-2 hrs	4.5mg/kg (30 cc)
Lidocaine With epi	1%	<1 min	2-6 hrs	7 mg/kg (50cc)
Lidocaine	2%	<1 min	0.5-2 hrs	2-3 mg/kg (15-20 cc)
Mepivicaine Carbocaine	1%	3-5 min	1-3 hrs	5 mg/kg (30 cc)
Bupivicaine Marcaine	0.25%	5 min	3-7 hrs	3 mg/kg (50cc)



DECREASING PAIN WITH INJECTION

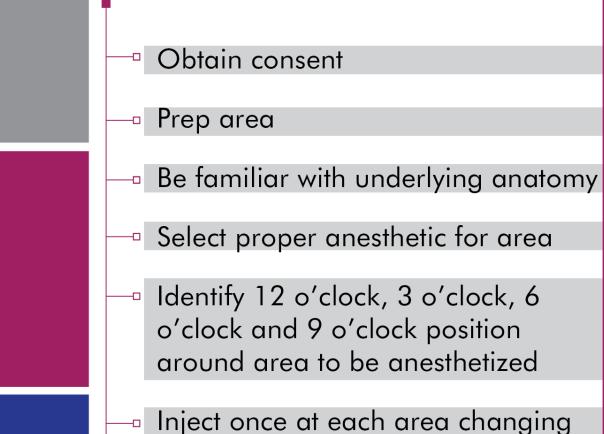


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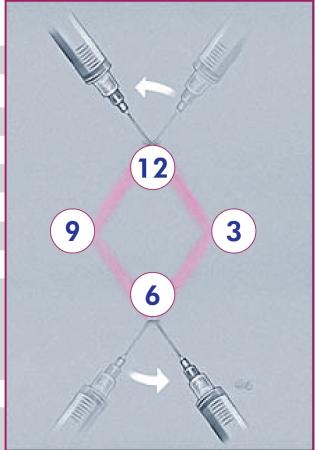


FIELD BLOCK Reasons **not** to use: *Allergy to anesthetic agent Infection at injection site Poor patient acceptance or cooperation Coagulopathy

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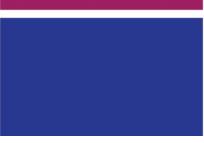


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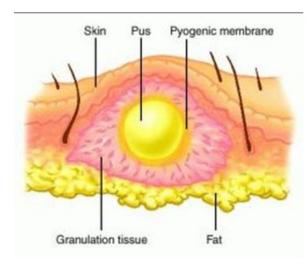


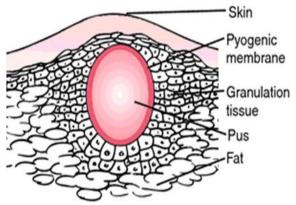






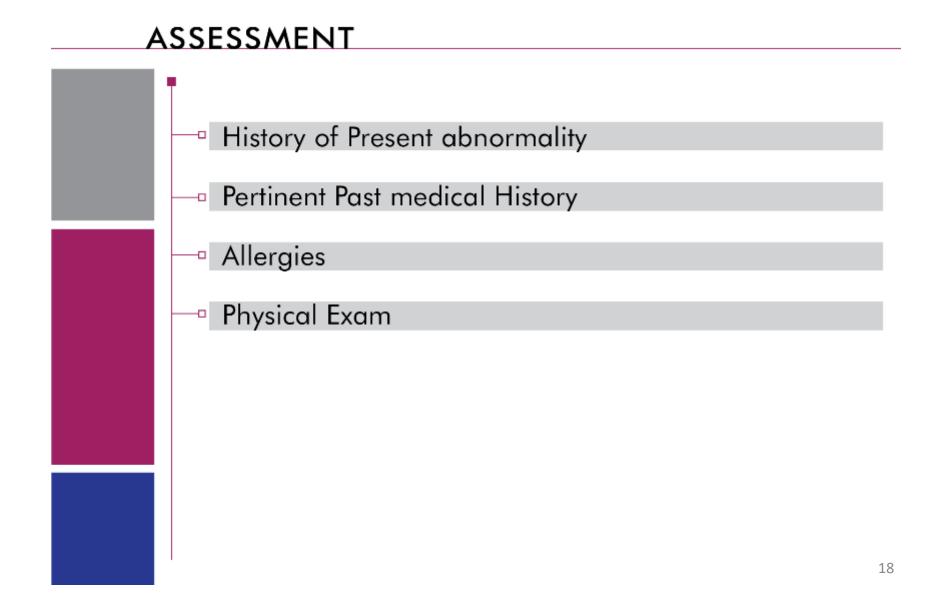
ABSCESS: Anatomy Review



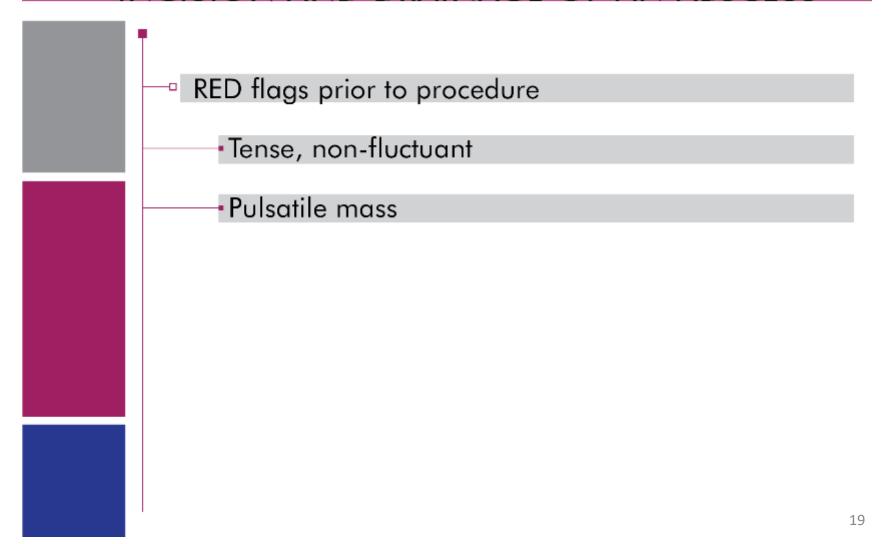


INCISION AND DRAINAGE OF AN ABSCESS

- An abscess is a collection of fluid in the cutaneous tissue which results in a painful, erythematous, fluctuant mass.
- Reasons to perform I&D:
 - to relieve associated pain
 - to minimize damage to surrounding tissue



INCISION AND DRAINAGE OF AN ABSCESS



SUPPLIES

Anesthesia

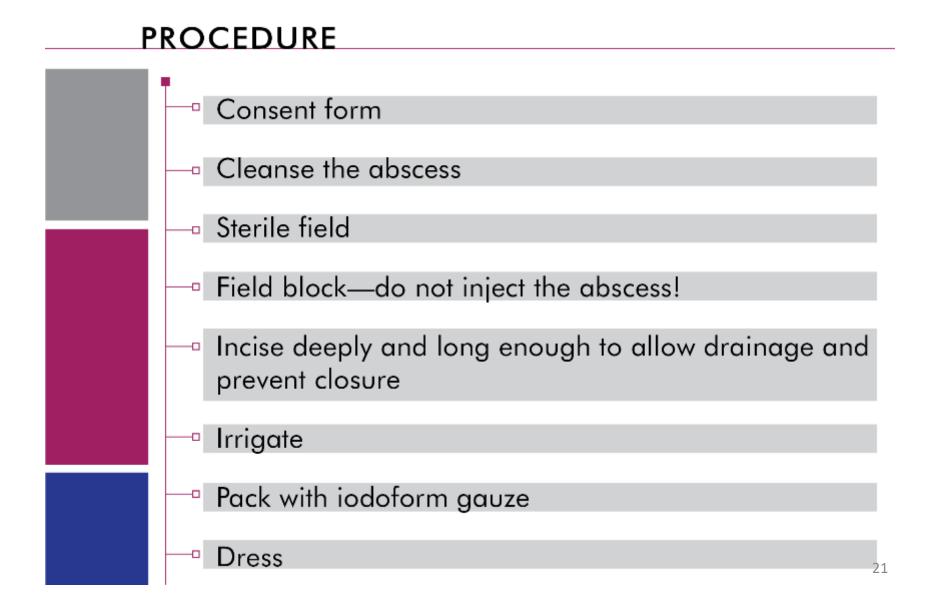
- Fenestrated Drape
- Antiseptic Solution
- □Gown

□2 X 2 or 4 X 4

- Gloves
- □#11 surgical blade
- Eye shield

Curved hemostat

Culture tube

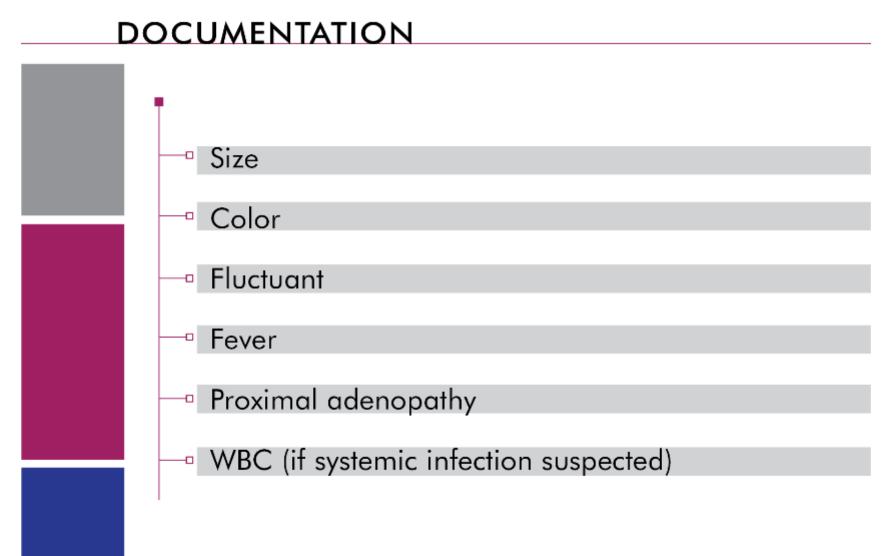


INCISION OF ABSCESS



EXPLORE LACULATION





INCISION AND DRAINAGE OF AN ABSCESS

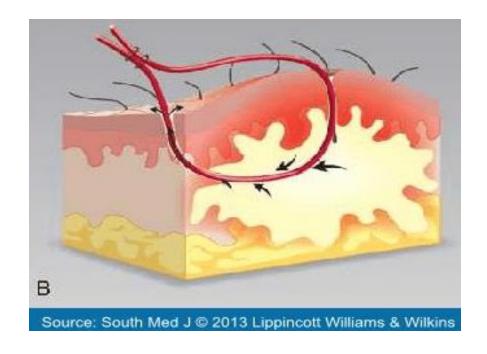


Alternative to I&D: Vessiloop

- loop drainage technique,
 - the provider makes 2 small, 4-mm to 5-mm incisions at the periphery of the abscess.
 - A hemostat is used to disrupt loculations and then the vessel loop is inserted and pulled through both incisions.
 - Patients are instructed to slide the silicon vessel loop twice daily

Vesi Loop Inclusion Criteria

- Inclusion Criteria:
 - Physical findings suggestive of skin abscess warranting incision and drainage



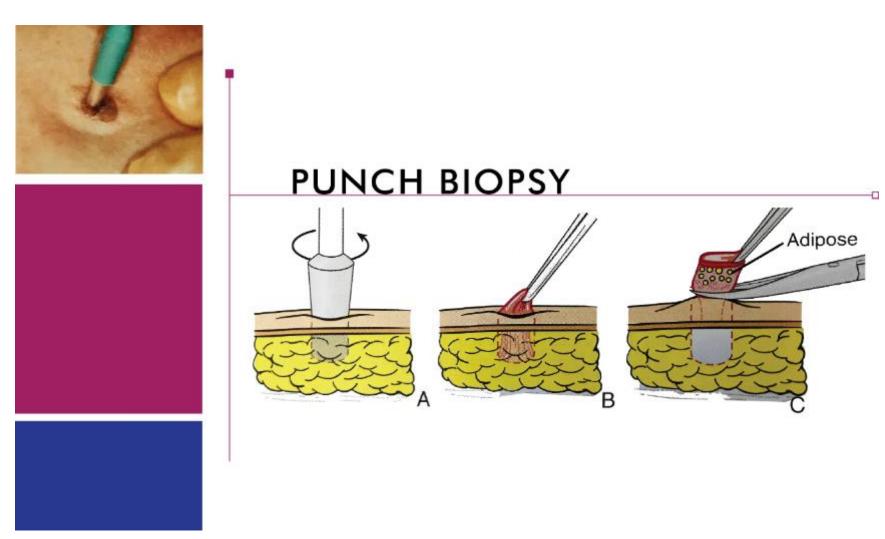
Vesi Loop Exclusion Criteria

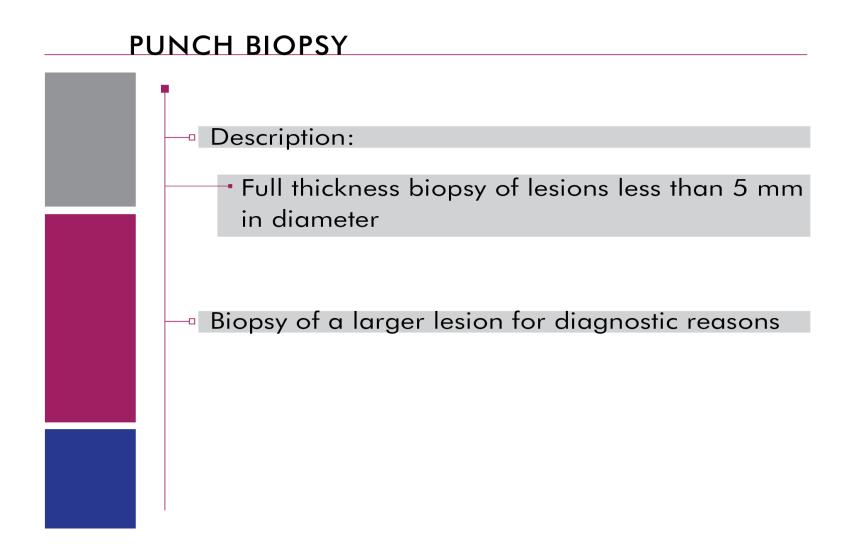
- Abscess not suitable for drainage in the ED (eg. <1 cm induration, >15 cm induration)
- Immunocompromised status (eg. diabetic patient or taking immunosuppressive medication)
- Need for hospitalization following drainage
- Abscess located above the clavicles or significantly involving genitals/pilonidal region
- Previous instrumentation to the abscess
- High probability of loss to follow up (parent does not commit to both mandatory follow up appointments)

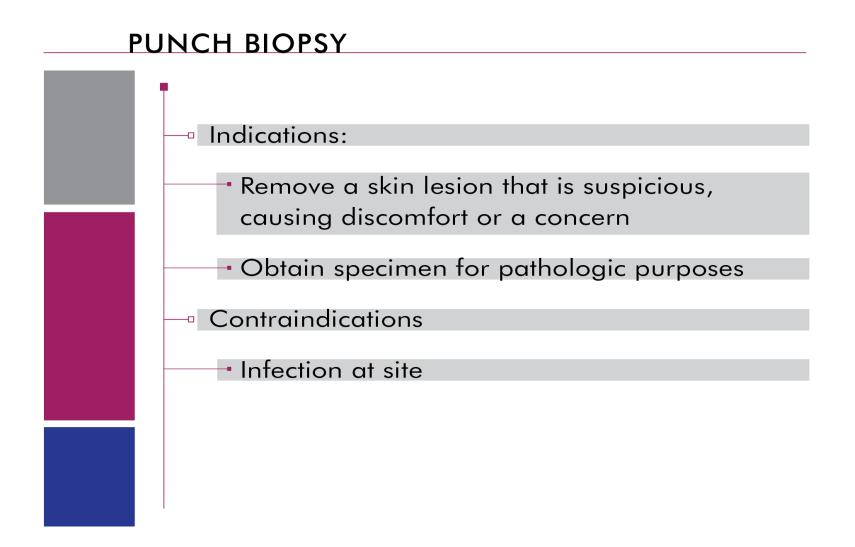


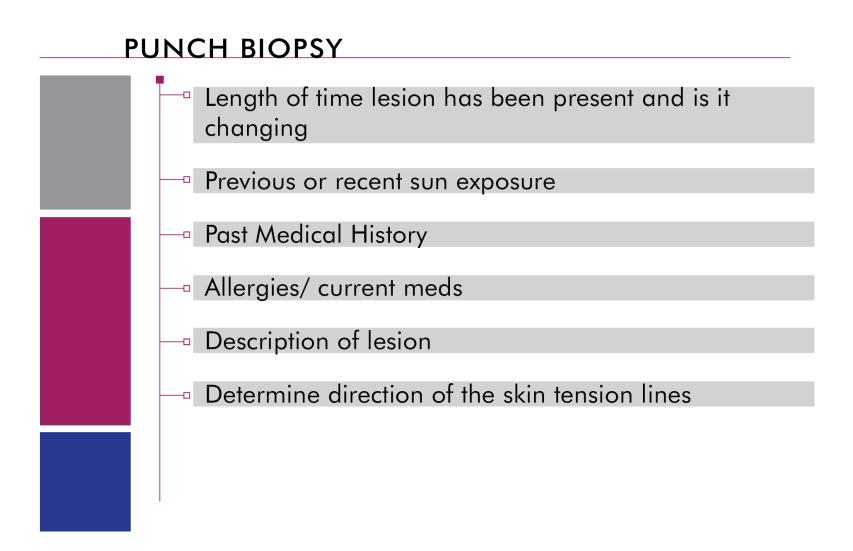
- the loop technique is short, comparable to standard I&D in complexity, and requires no packing changes, making wound care much easier for the patient and increases drainage
- https://videos.files.wordpress.com/Z48KANtH/loop-i-dweb-version_dvd.mp4

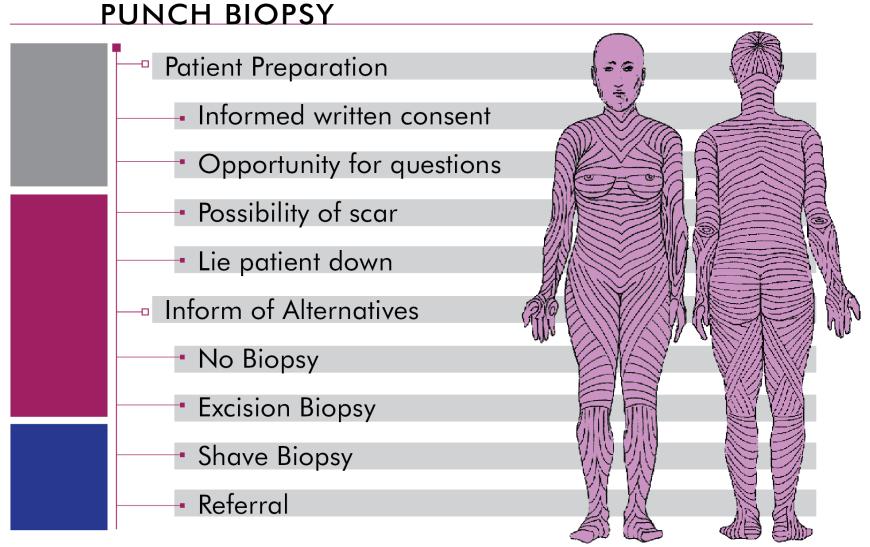
Cyst Removal Differences between Cyst and Abcess When do Cysts need to be removed ្ធ Anatomy (Causes and Risks) Assessment (History and Physical) **Patient Preparation** Procedure Follow Up /https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OlXAIiYKf1A

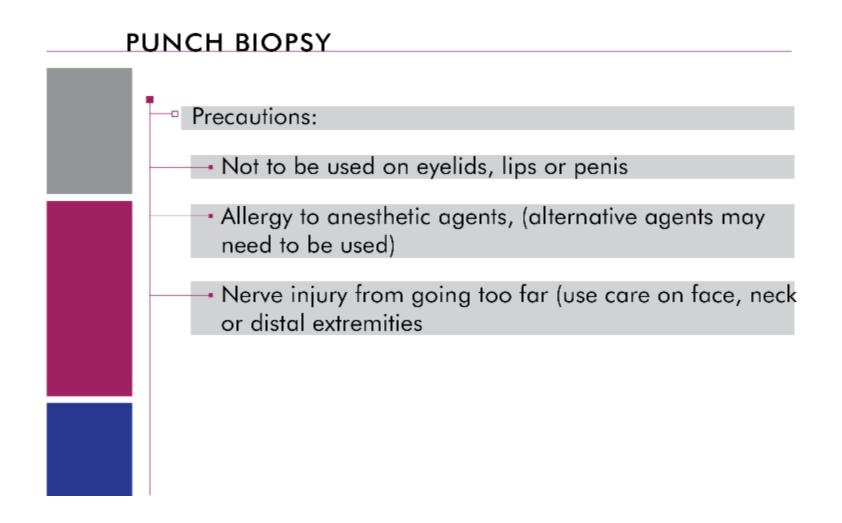




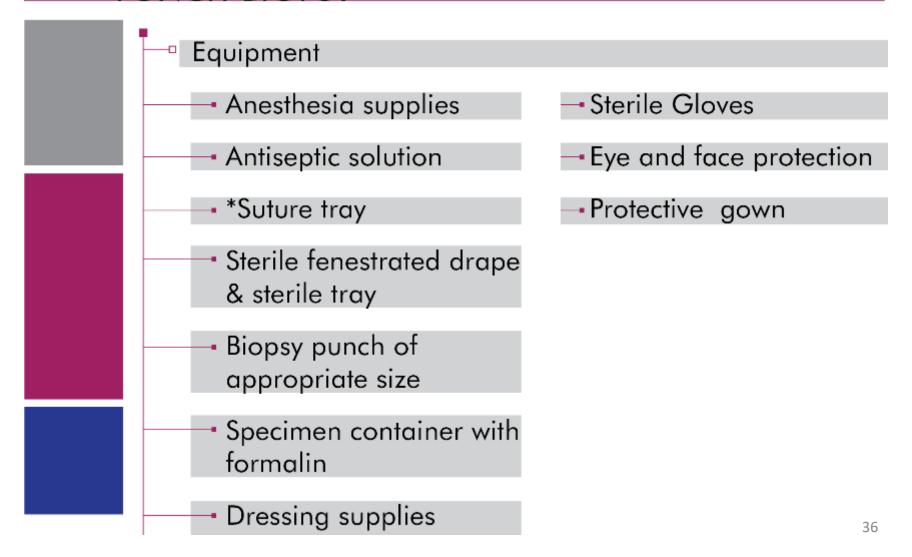




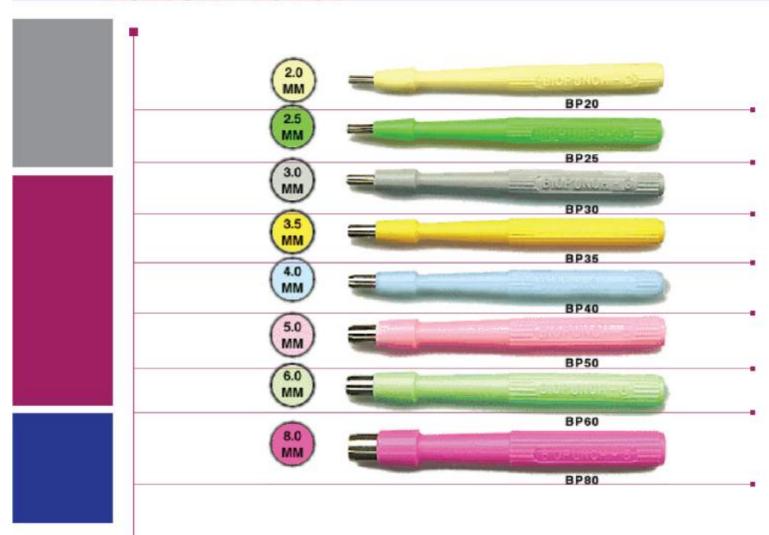




PUNCH BIOPSY



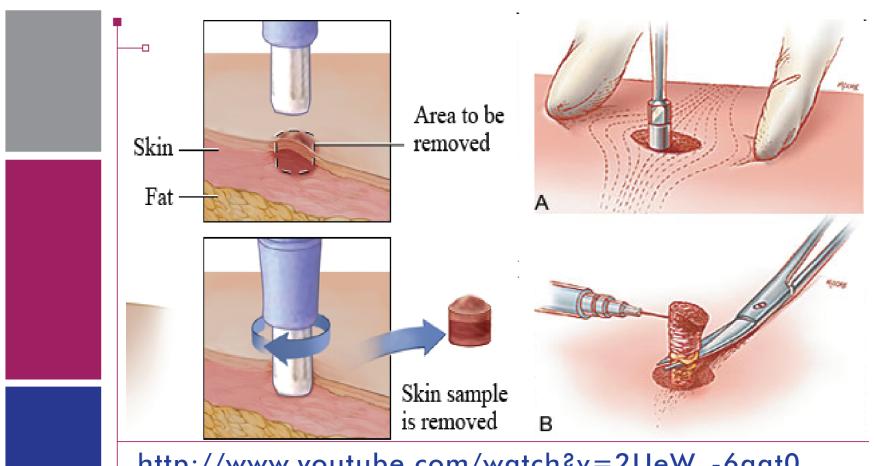
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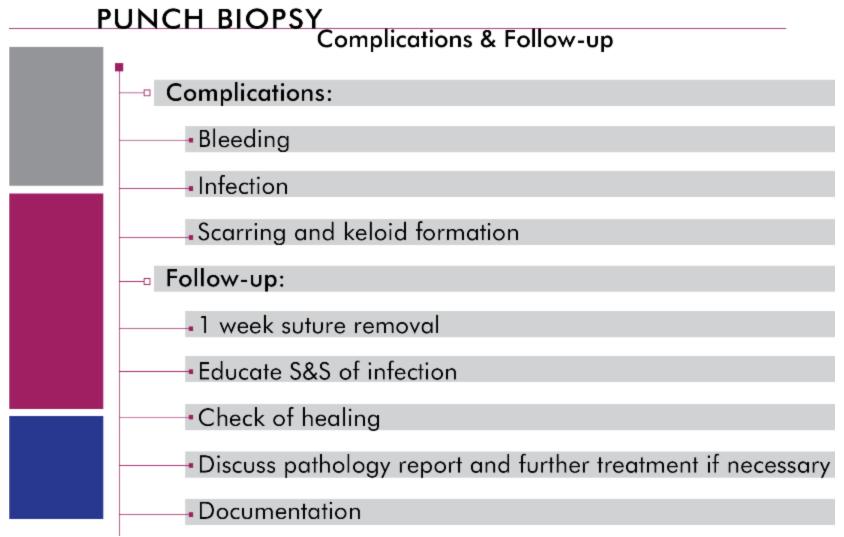
 Procedure (continued) Remove the punch instrument, lift the tissue with forceps, cut with iris scissors Place specimen in container with formalin Apply pressure Close elliptical incision Apply antibiotic ointment and dressing

PUNCH BIOPSY



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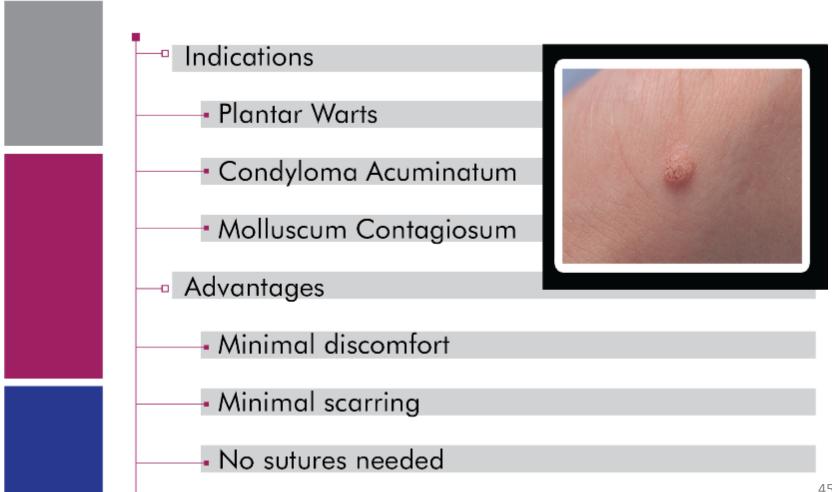
PUNCH BIOPSY Complications: Bleeding Infection Scarring and keloid formation

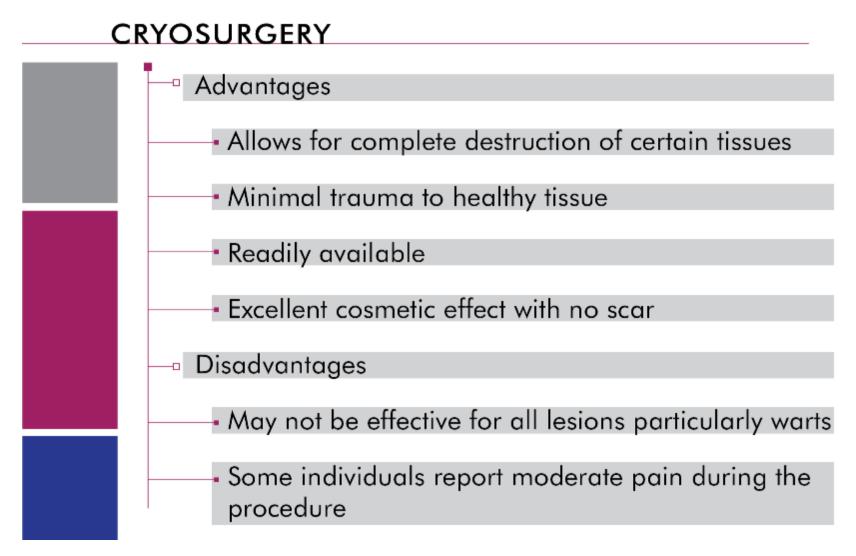


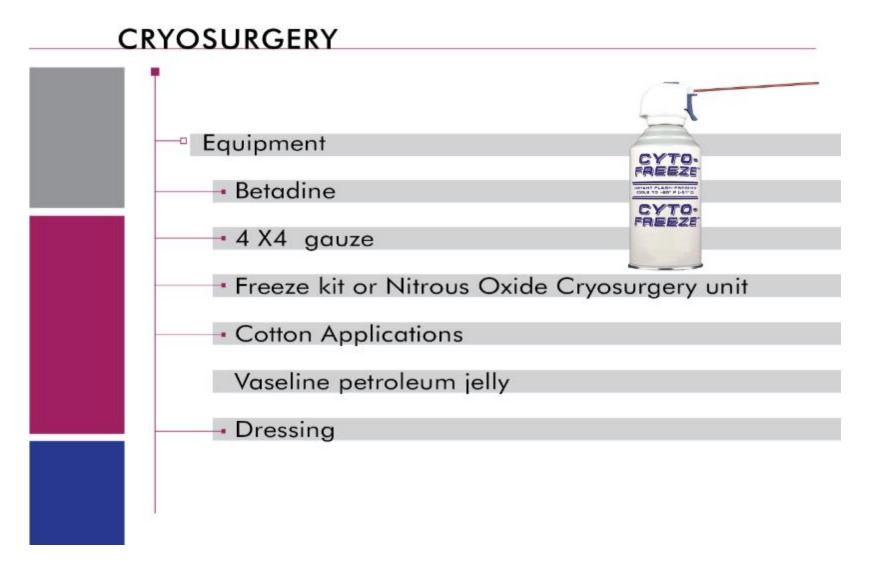


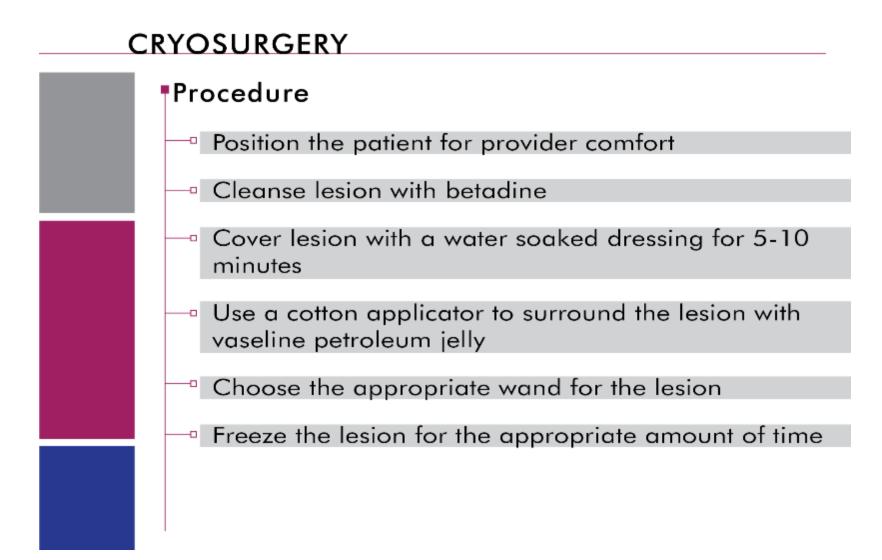


- Definition: The process of applying extreme cold to a lesion for the purpose of destruction.
 - Indications:
 - Seborrheic Keratoses
 - Actinic Keratoses
 - 📑 Skin tags
 - → Verruca Vulgaris

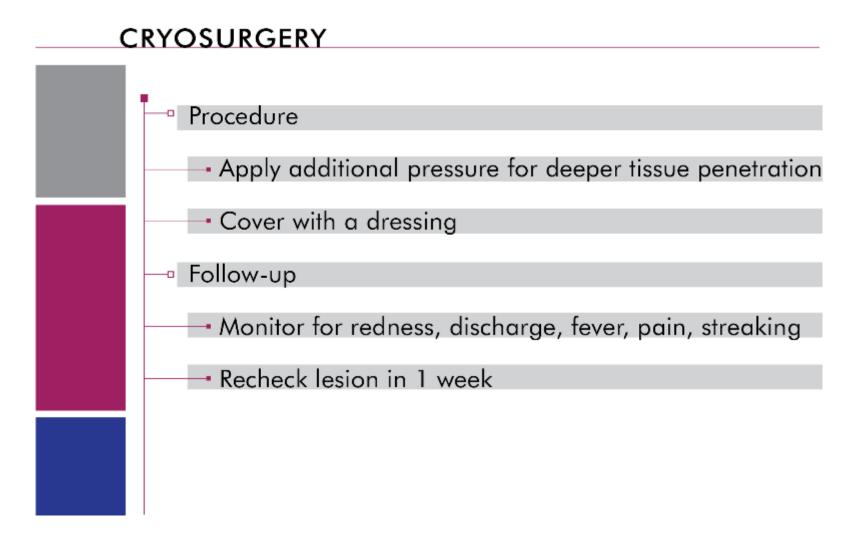


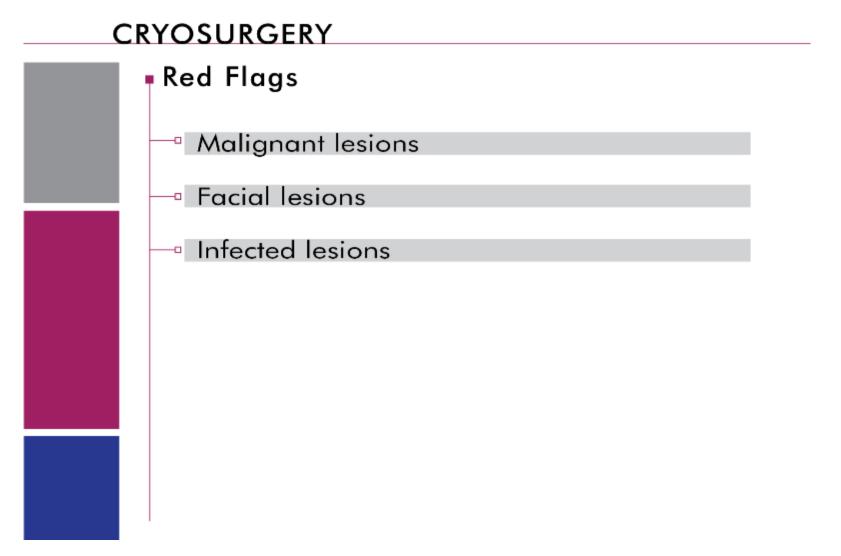






Time Frame						
→ Seborrheic Keratoses	30 seconds					
- Actinic Keratoses	90 seconds					
⊸ Skin tags	60 – 90 seconds					
→ Verruca Vulgaris	60 – 90 seconds					
— Plantar warts	30 – 40 seconds					
- Condyloma Acuminatum	45 seconds					
- Molluscum Contagiosum	30 seconds					
Another method is to apply the freeze until a frost ring appears approximately 1-2 mm around the lesion						

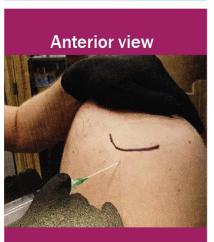




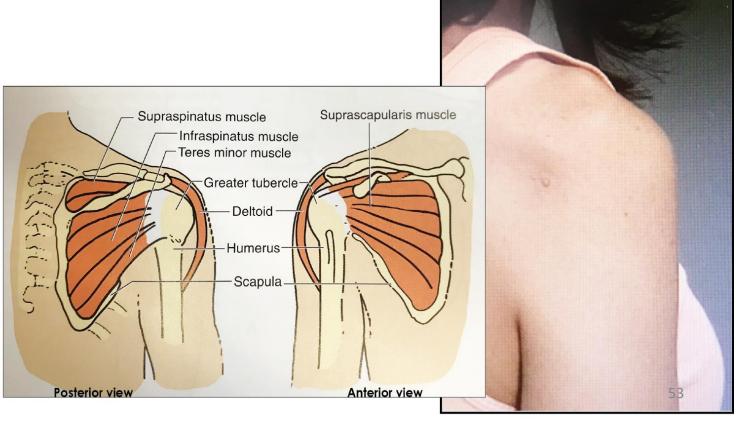
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Medical Surgical	Gastrointestinal System	Drainage	Anus	External	No Device	No Qualifier
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Medical Surgical	Skin / Breast	Destruction	Left Hand	Externa l	No Device	Diagnostic
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Medical Surgical	Subcutaneous Tissue and facia	Excision	Back	Open (Percutaneous 3)	No Device	No Qualifier

SHOULDER ANATOMY





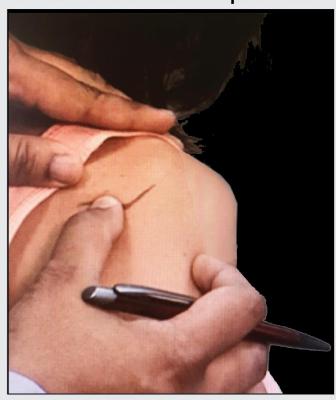
Sterile or no-touch technique



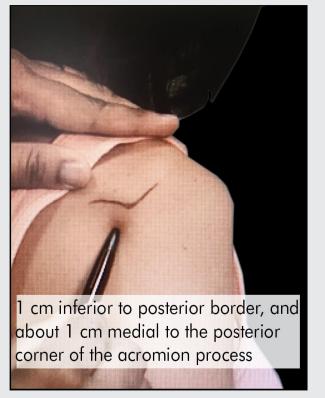
SHOULDER:

Steroid Injection Shoulder Landmarks

Posterior border and corner of Acromion process



Access Point



SHOULDER



- Subacromial Injections are often performed by:
 - Subacromial impingement syndrome
 - Rotator cuff tendonitis
 - Subacromial bursitis
 - Aspiration of subacromial bursa

SHOULDER

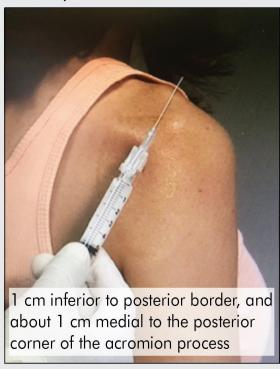


- Indications for subacromial injections:
 - Subacromial impingement syndrome
 - Rotator cuff (supraspinatus)
 - Subacromial bursitis
 - Aspiration of subacromial bursa

SHOULDER:

Steroid Injection Shoulder Technique

22G, 1½ inch needle

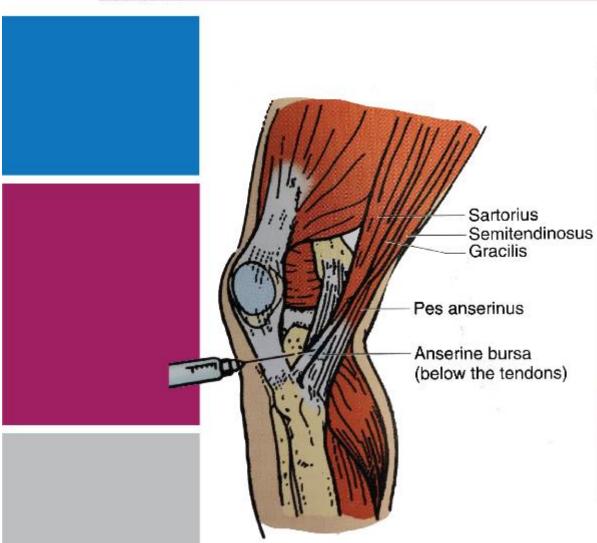


Trajectory



Advance the needle pointing anteriorly, medially and superiorly towards the underside of the midpoint of the acromion process

KNEE



Sterile or no-touch technique



KNEE



- Knee Injection-Anterior Approach:
 - Medial Retropatellar
 - → Lateral Retropatellar
 - → Anterior
 - Suprapatellar (for suprapatellar effusions)

KNEE

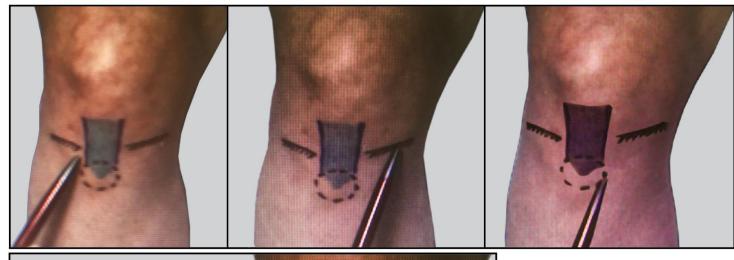


- Indications for anterior approach:
 - Advanced patellofemoral osteoarthritis
 - Knee contractures

Note:

Greater risk of meniscal injury with the anterior approach



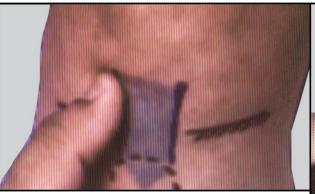




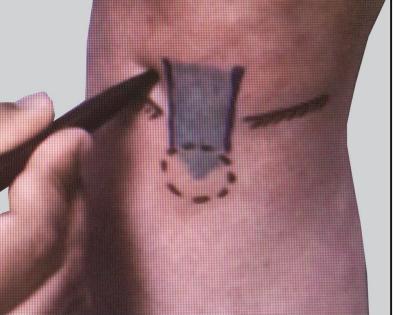
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Steroid Injection Knee Landmarks

Lateral Access Point

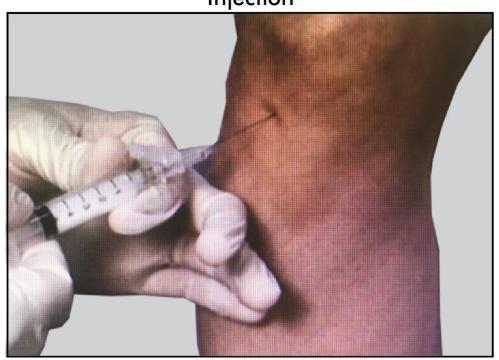


About 1 fingertip above the lateral tibial plateau and 1 fingertip lateral to the patella ligament.



KNEE: Steroid Injection Technique

Injection



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