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CRANIOTOMY/CRANIECTOMY

- 1. Please call the office and make an appointment with Dr. Moradi for 7 days from the date of discharge from the hospital. Staples will be removed at this appointment.
- 2. Shower and **wash your hair with shampoo** after your discharge Do not color your hair for 2 months following the surgery. Dr. Moradi will let you know when you can resume hair dying.
- 3. **No heavy lifting over 5 pounds** for 8-10 weeks.
- 4. No driving any type of vehicle, until Dr. Moradi gives permission to do so.
- 5. No vigorous activity, especially heavy exercising/weight lifting.
- 6. Take your prescribed medications by Dr. Moradi. If medication refills are required, contact your pharmacy and they will call the office on your behalf. If you have a medication reaction, please call Dr. Moradi at the office, (713)-464-6245. The answering service will also reach him.
- 7. At all times, keep the incision clean and dry. Incision to scalp may be left open to air after Day 1 after surgery. Craniectomy patients may also have an incision on their thigh- continue to keep covered and change dressing daily.
- 8. Please call the office if you notice any of the following: 1) skin color change around the incision, 2) drainage/seepage, 3) fever, 4) fluid collection around the incision site.
- 9. **No blood thinners** until after the first post-op visit.
- 10. No elective procedures of any kind while postoperative (10 weeks). This includes dental procedures/cleanings, colonoscopies, etc.

