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CIRCUMCISION

Your baby boy has just been circumcised. The circumcision itself is going to be beefy red and actually look pretty yucky. It will heal over the course of the next 5-7 days. I have placed Vaseline gauze around the head of the penis of your son. If the Vaseline gauze falls off today, all you need to do is put Vaseline on the head of the penis. This keeps the penis from sticking to the diaper. If the Vaseline gauze does not fall off today, you may unwrap it tomorrow and apply Vaseline again to the head of the penis. If the Vaseline gauze is dried out or stuck onto the penis, you may soak it in warm water on a washcloth. When the gauze is soft you then gently unwrap it.

The head of the penis will be beefy red then it will get a yellow scab and then it will eventually turn pink. When the head of the penis is pink it is healed and Vaseline is no longer necessary. Some bleeding is expected after circumcision. If the bleeding you see is the size of a 50-cent piece, it is not to worry. If the bleeding is the size of a silver dollar, we would like a phone call.