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Rigid Cystoscopy & Transurethral Resection of Bladder Lesion-Patient Information

What does this procedure involve?

This procedure involves inserting a telescope (cystoscope) into your bladder through the urethra & cutting away any growth (lesion) which is inside the bladder.

The bladder is filled with fluid to make it expand & a special cutting instrument is inserted through the cystoscope. This is used to cut away & remove the growth inside the bladder. The area inside the bladder where the growth (lesion) has been cut away is cauterized to prevent it from bleeding & help it to heal.

The procedure is performed under a general anesthetic & intravenous antibiotics are given prior to the procedure.

Most patients will have a urinary catheter inserted after the resection procedure.

Most patients will require at least an overnight stay in hospital after this procedure. Some patients may need multiple days stay in hospital.

What can I expect after my cystoscopy & bladder biopsy?

Most patients will be discharged home after their urinary catheter has been removed & Dr Raj is comfortable that they are able to urinate well after their surgery.

Some patients may need to be discharged home with a urinary catheter to give their bladder more time to heal. If this happens then you will be given a scheduled date for removal of the urinary catheter by Dr Raj's office. The urinary catheter would usually be removed within 1-2 weeks of the procedure by the Urology Nurse.

It is common to experience, burning on urination or see blood in the urine after the procedure. Ensure you drink plenty of water & urinate regularly. Taking Ural sachets may help to reduce the burning sensation. These symptoms can persist for up to 1-2 weeks after your procedure.

If these symptoms persist for longer or you feel concerned or unwell after your procedure, please contact Dr Raj's office or consult your GP for further advice.

You will be given a follow-up appointment with Dr Raj to discuss the results of your bladder lesions resection within a few weeks of having the procedure.