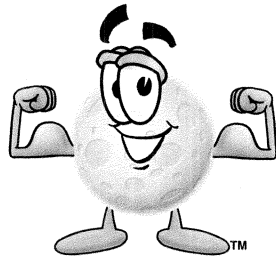


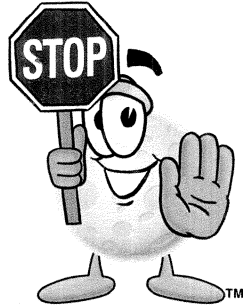
# SIGNS & SYMPTOMS OF WOUND INFECTION

Reporting symptoms early to your nurse or doctor can stop you from being hospitalized



You are healthy when:

- No increase in drainage (unless appropriate with wound treatment)
- No foul odor from wound
- No fever
- No decline in daily living activities



Call your Agency within the next 24 hours if any of the following occur:

- Redness, excessive swelling, tenderness, throbbing pain in the wound area
- Red streaks in the skin around the wound or progressing away from the wound
- Pus or foul odor from wound
- Tender lumps or swelling in armpit, groin or neck
- Generalized chills or fever

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Call your doctor **RIGHT AWAY** when:

- A change in mental status, confusion or delirium
- Rapid, shallow breathing
- Shaking
- Rapid heart beat

MD Name & Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

- Call 911 for severe shortness of breath
- Call 911 if you have chest pain or pressure