#### JOHNS HOPKINS MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS

Division of Pediatric Urology 1800 Orleans Street Baltimore, MD 21287 DR. GEARHART'S POST-OP CARE: CYSTOSCOPIC PROCEDURE

# WHILE YOU ARE STILL IN THE HOSPITAL:

- Following surgery, after your child is fully awake, he/she will be encouraged to drink clear liquids.
- He/she will be discharged from the hospital when tolerating fluids. Nausea and vomiting are common after anesthesia and may last for 24 hours after surgery.
- Do not worry if you see a little spot of blood in diaper or underwear. You may notice a little blood tinged urine. This is to be expected for several days.

# **UPON ARRIVAL HOME:**

### • DIET:

- 1. You may feed your child clear liquids (juices, jell-o, broth) and advance as tolerated, no fried/fatty foods for at least a day after surgery.
- 2. Do not force feed, especially if your child is nauseous. His appetite will return to normal with time.
- 3. AVOID orange juice, soda, iced tea until next post-op visit.
- **ACTIVITY:** As long as your child is comfortable he/she may resume regular activities and return to school the day after surgery. If he/she is uncomfortable he/she should be restricted from school and activities for a few days.

# • MEDICATION:

- 1. For any discomfort give your child Ibubrofen as directed or other pain medications as ordered by your doctor.
- 2. Your child may have been prescribed antibiotics. Follow the instructions on the bottle for directions.
- **BATHING:** You may bathe/shower your child on the first post-op day.

# • COMMON FINDINGS:

- 1. You may notice a little blood tinged urine; this is to be expected for up to 7 days post-op.
- 2. Your child may experience burning with urination for the first few post-op days. A warm bath without soap should relieve these symptoms.
- 3. Encouraging plenty of fluids should also help relieve these symptoms.

**PLEASE CALL YOUR DOCTOR:** If eight hours has gone by and your child has not been able to urinate. A fever over 101.5 degrees. The most common causes of post-op fever are colds and ear infections. A fever is relatively normal 24 hours after anesthesia.

**POST-OP OFFICE VISITS:** Your child should be seen in the office 7-10 days after discharge, unless otherwise directed by your doctor. Please schedule an appointment by calling the office at 410-955-6108.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS:** Please call the clinic nurse Karen Spriggs at 410-614-6304, Monday through Friday 8AM-4PM.

**AFTER HOURS OR IN THE CASE OF AN EMERGENCY,** please call the residents on-call at 410-955-6070