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External Fixator Pin Care

AT LEAST ONCE DAILY PLEASE DO THE FOLLOWING ON EACH PIN SITE:

• Where the skin meets the pin:

- Use a solution of 50% Hydrogen Peroxide and 50% Saline: Gently floss gauze around the base of the pin. Always clean outward, DO NOT push in towards skin.
- Dress pins after cleaning with dry gauze/Kerlix wrap cover area so you cannot see where the pin meets the skin.
- When staples are removed, then you may shower. Avoid direct stream of water into pins.
- Gently cleanse skin and frame with Castile soap solution (picture below).
- $\circ~$ Avoid irrigation of skin around pin sites.



CALL MAMMOTH ORTHOPEDICS PROMPTLY FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Increasing redness
- Drainage
- Change in normal appearance around the pins

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL THE OFFICE (760-924-4084).