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### About the Khoo Teck Puat – National University Children's Medical Institute (KTP-NUCMI)

The KTP-NUCMI is the paediatric arm of the National University Hospital and comprises the Departments of Paediatrics, Paediatric Surgery and Neonatology. We provide comprehensive and specialised medical and surgical services for newborns, children and adolescents. NUH is the only hospital in Singapore that offers paediatric kidney and liver transplant programmes. Through a generous gift from the Estate of Khoo Teck Puat, we have set up an integrated outpatient facility with medical, diagnostic and rehabilitation services.

For more information about us, visit [www.nuh.com.sg/ktp-nucmi](http://www.nuh.com.sg/ktp-nucmi).

#### Contact Us

##### 24-hour Children's Emergency

Location: NUH Main Building, Zone F, Level 1  
General Enquiry: +65 6772 5000

##### KTP-NUCMI

Location: NUH Main Building, Zone E, Level 2  
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Operating Hours: 8.30am – 5.30pm (Mon to Fri), 8.30am – 12.30pm (Sat)  
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##### 9a Viva-University Children's Cancer Centre

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##### NUH Children's Urgent Care Clinic @ Bukit Panjang

Location: Junction 10, 1 Woodlands Road, #01-22, Singapore 677899  
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##### NUH Child Development Unit @ JMC

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##### NUH Child Development Unit @ Keat Hong

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# Circumcision

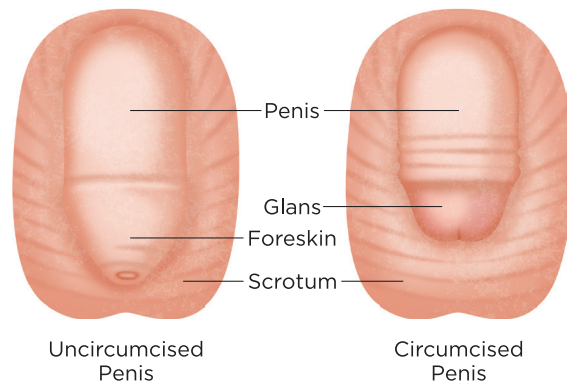


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# What is circumcision?

Male circumcision is surgical removal of the foreskin. Foreskin is the roll of skin that covers the end of the penis. After circumcision, the head of the penis will remain exposed permanently.



## What happens during the procedure?

The foreskin is removed using a scalpel or scissors. The remaining edges of the skin are stitched together using dissolvable stitches.

## What is the expected length of stay?

This is a day surgery procedure that usually takes 30 minutes, and does not require an overnight stay in the hospital. However, some children, particularly young infants, may have to stay in the hospital overnight for observation.

## What can I expect after the circumcision?

Swelling of the penis is expected within the first two weeks. The swelling will go down as the wound heals.

## Care after circumcision

### Pain Management

It is expected that your child will feel pain at his penis over the next few days after the procedure. Oral analgesia must be taken for two days according to the prescription and when necessary thereafter. Please consult your child's doctor if the pain is not relieved or has worsened even after your child has taken the analgesia.

### Wound Care

- Use a tub bath or saline wash during bath time to help keep the penis clean without causing trauma to the wound.
- Apply the ointment as prescribed.
- Wear a sarong or loose-fitting underpants and/or bottoms.
- It is normal for scabs to form where the foreskin was removed. The scabs may become crusty, and appear yellow or brown. Do not rub off or peel the crust as it may cause bleeding and prolong recovery.
- If bleeding occurs, gently apply pressure to the site for five minutes. If bleeding persists, bring your child to Children's Emergency immediately.

### Activities

You may resume normal activities at home as tolerated.

## Complications

There may be complications such as:

- Bleeding at the incision site
- Not urinating for more than 8 hours
- Pain that persists even with medications
- Fever (body temperature of 38°C and above)

If your child experiences any of the above, please call the Paediatric Surgery Nurse Hotline at +65 9127 1648 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm) or go to Children's Emergency (after office hours).



## Contact Us

For enquiries or rescheduling of appointment, please contact us at:

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