

Post-op Colic Wound Management

❖ Normal

Some literature advocate general daily wound care and dressing at the hospital and at home. Some does not recommend owners clean the incision unless it becomes infected and starts draining however if signs of infection are seen the veterinarian should be called.

❖ Infected

Infected wounds should be opened and allowed it to drain. A bacterial culture should be taken to determine what is causing the infection. Wound care involves keeping the wound clean and dry and monitoring it closely for hernia formation. An equine hernia belt may be used.

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