When to Call the Doctor After Bypass Surgery

Call your healthcare team if you have any of these symptoms:

- Fever of 100.4°F (38°C) or higher, or as directed by your healthcare provider
- Unexplained chills or sweating
- Sharp pain in the chest when taking a deep breath
- Bleeding from the incision sites
- Belly (abdominal) pain, nausea, constipation, or vomiting that doesn't go away
- Increasing pain that doesn't get better after taking pain medicine
- Swelling, redness, oozing, or cloudy discharge at the incision sites
- Unexplained bruising
- Continued sensation of motion or clicking sounds in your breastbone
- Sudden weight gain (tell your healthcare provider if you gain 1 to 2 pounds within 24 hours or more overnight, or 5 pounds or more in 1 week)
- Increased swelling of the legs, especially on the side where the vein was not removed
- Drainage or foul-smelling odor from the incisions on the chest or leg



Call 911

Call 911 right away if you have any of these symptoms:

- Shortness of breath or trouble breathing not relieved by rest
- Angina or chest pain symptoms

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- Sudden severe headache
- Sudden weakness and numbness in the face, arms, or legs, or difficulty speaking
- Dizziness or fainting spells
- Fast heartbeat, extremely slow heartbeat, or irregular heartbeat

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