

Time to Stitch/Staple Removal

Scalp	7-10 Days
Face	5 Days
Trunk/Upper extremities/ Hand	7 days
Lower Extremities	7-14 days

Absorbable Stitches:

Fast Gut	4-6
Vicryl Rapide	5-7
Chronic Gut	10-14
Monocryl	7-10
Vicryl	30

Laceration Repair Tips

Face:

Dermabond (if low tension)

5.0 Fast gut

6.0 Nylon

Hand/Fingers:

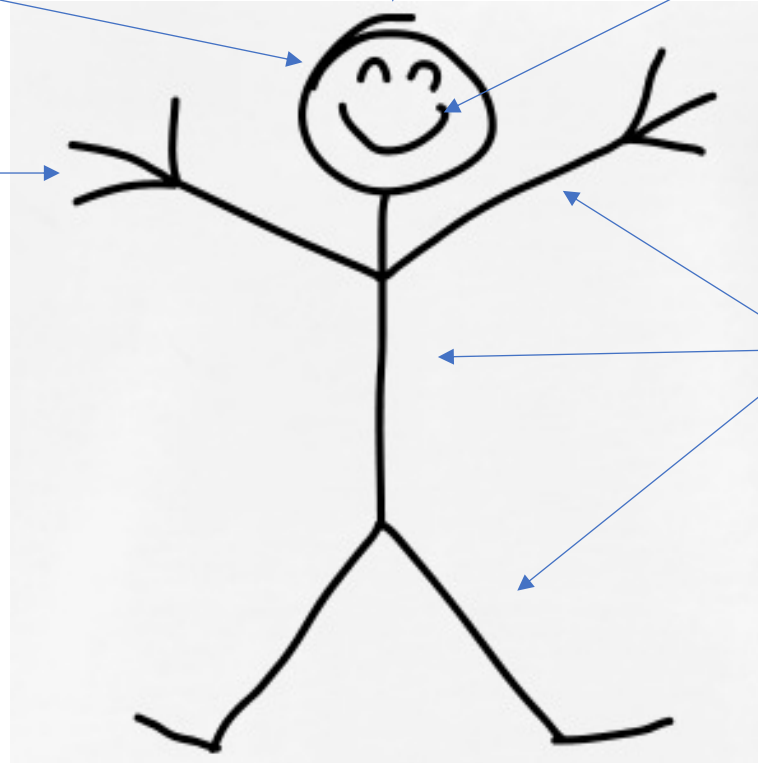
5.0 Chronic Gut

5.0 Nylon

Avoid deep stitches!

Consider splint if near joint line

Scalp: Staples



Oral Mucosa:

4.0 Chronic Gut

Vermillion Border:

6.0 Nylon

5.0 Chronic Gut
(alignment very important!)

Trunk/Upper/Lower Extremities:

4.0 Nylon

4.0 Vicryl Rapide (if low tension)

4.0 Chronic gut (if concern about follow up or cooperation with removal)

Consider splint if near joint line

Red = Absorbable Suture

Deep Sutures:

Monocryl (better for dirty wounds)

Vicryl