

Low Calcium

# **Post Operation 2025**

## What are the symptoms of Low Calcium?

- Tingling Sensation: You might feel a "pins and needles" sensation, usually in your fingers, toes, or around your lips.
- Muscle Cramps: You may experience painful muscle contractions or spasms, especially in your hands, feet, or face.
- Numbness: Some parts of your body may feel numb, which can be unsettling.
- Twitching: Involuntary muscle movements, like eye twitching, may occur.

# What should I do if I develop these feelings?

- 1. Start taking the calcium tablets you have been discharged with (2 Sandocal tablets twice daily or 4 calcichew tablets twice daily)
- 2. Send an email to the Endocrine Team ruh-tr.endocrinediabetes@nhs.net please include your name, date of birth, hospital number and the symptoms you have developed
- 3. Book a blood test to check your calcium as soon as possible this can be done either at your GP, in B9 at the Royal United Hospital (without appointment 9am-4pm) or by booking an appointment at Sulis Hospital (01761422299)
- 4. Please continue to take the calcium tablets unless you are advised to stop or reduce the dose by the Endocrine Team

### What should I do if the symptoms get

#### worse?

If despite treatment your symptoms get worse, then please contact 111 or attend the emergency department.

If your symptoms remain mild, but are persistent then please contact the Endocrine Team ruh-tr.endocrinediabetes@nhs.net. This email will only be answered Monday – Friday 9am – 5pm.

#### Further information can be found here: https://www.baets.org.uk/patients/

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