

CASE STUDY

Resolving the Hidden Thorn

THE PROBLEM

What seemed to be an innocuous splinter escalated into an infection. The patient went to her PCP after a splinter under her fingernail became “swollen, red, and painful to the touch.” She was initially treated with oral antibiotics, but during her follow up visit, her PCP was unable to locate the splinter for removal.

THE SOLUTION

Splinters are caused by foreign objects getting stuck into the skin. Depending on the type and size of the splinter, some might lead to infections that require immediate care.

The patient’s PCP referred her to the practice and a partial nail avulsion and foreign body removal procedure was performed the next day. On her second visit, the remaining portion of the wood splinter was removed, relieving her finger from persistent discomfort and ensuring proper healing.

THE RESULTS

The patient was relieved to find the practice was highly responsive to her PCP and was seen the next day. The debris from the wound was removed on the first visit, and the procedure was repeated at the follow up appointment to successfully remove the remaining foreign body. The patient walked out of the office free from pain and worries.



“I was very satisfied with the promptness and response to fit me into the schedule. They shared lots of information and were patient; it was a great experience. I would definitely recommend.” -JM

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