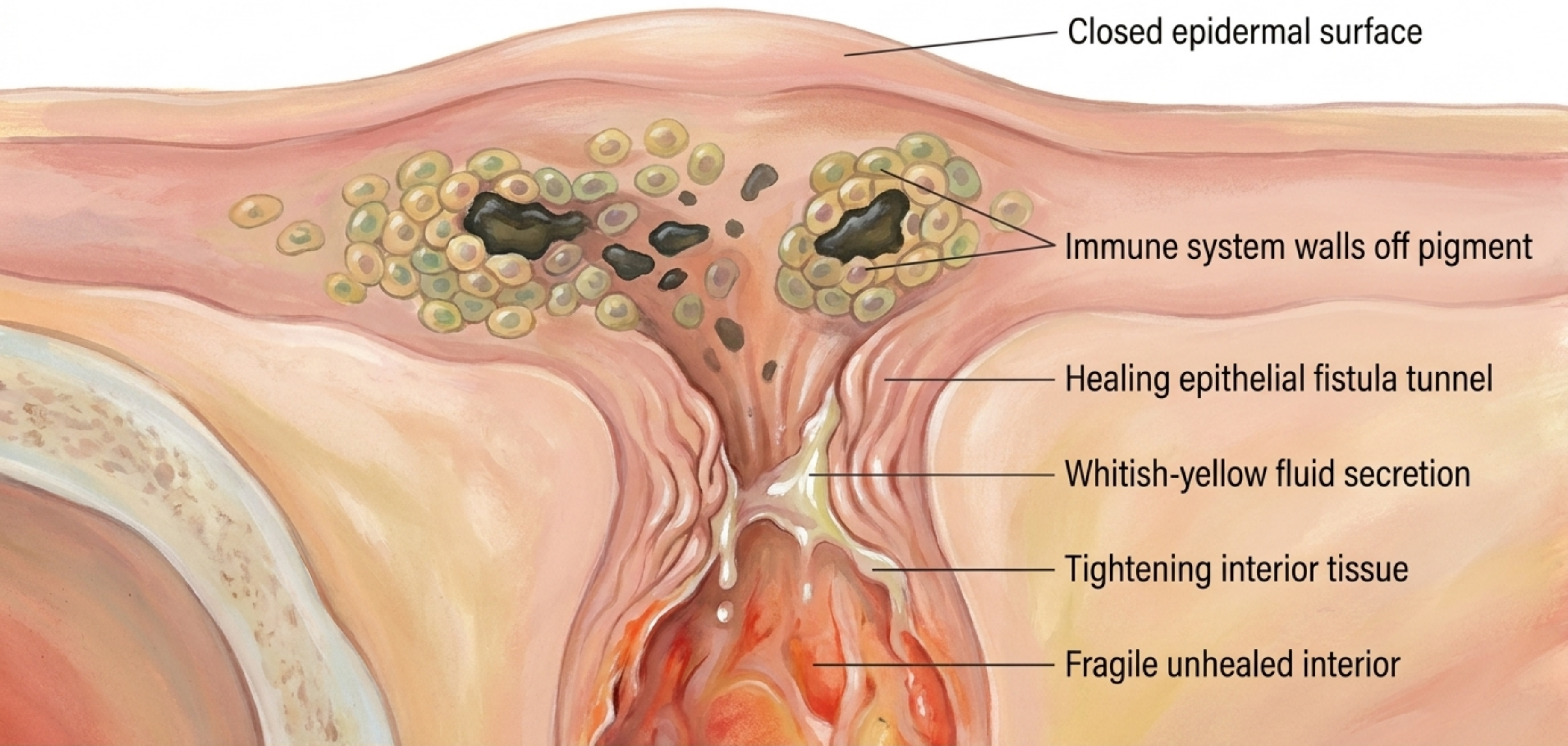




Closed epidermal surface

Immune system walls off pigment

Healing epithelial fistula tunnel

Whitish-yellow fluid secretion

Tightening interior tissue

Fragile unhealed interior

Wounds heal from the outside in, leaving the interior fragile long after the surface appears recovered.

****Piercings can shrink or close in minutes.****