

# Day Procedure Unit Calderdale Royal Hospital

Patients Details

Consultant: \_\_\_\_\_

Procedure Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Procedure Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Morning list - 7.00 am (not before please)

Afternoon list - 12.00 pm

You must contact the Pre-Operative Assessment Unit on:

**CRH 01422 223143 HRI 01484 355728** if you: Develop a cough or a cold, vomiting or diarrhoea or any skin or wound infections in the week prior to your surgery.

**Failure to do so may result in your surgery being cancelled on the day.**

For appointment enquiries only please contact: **Day Procedure Unit: 01422 223918**

Please stop taking -

Medication: \_\_\_\_\_

On: \_\_\_\_\_

## Before Your Procedure

It is really important for your own safety that you have an empty stomach prior to your procedure. It is equally important not to over fast.

**Morning list: Do not have any food or milk after 2.00 am;** this includes chewing gum or eating/sucking of sweets. Drink as much clear fluid as you want until 6.00 am. A clear fluid is a non-alcoholic drink that you could read newsprint through e.g water or dilute squash. It should not be fizzy and must not have milk in it. You are allowed to take your tablets at the usual time with a sip of water unless you have been advised to stop by pre-operative assessment.

**Afternoon list: Eat a light breakfast of toast or cereal (but nothing fatty) before 7.30 am.** Do not have any food or milk after 7.30 am this includes chewing gum, eating/sucking of sweets. Drink clear fluid up to 11.00 am on the day of surgery. A clear fluid is a non-alcoholic drink that you could read newsprint through e.g. water or dilute squash. It should not be fizzy and must not have milk in. You are allowed to take your tablets at the usual time with a sip of water unless you have been advised to stop by pre-operative assessment.

## Important

- Avoid alcohol for 24 hours before the procedure.
- Avoid smoking if possible (48 hours before your procedure is ideal).
- Do not chew gum or suck sweets during your fasting period.

**Failure to adhere to the above instructions could result in your operation being cancelled**

## Getting ready for your visit to hospital

- Please bath or shower before your procedure.
- You can brush your teeth even whilst fasting.
- Contact lenses must be removed before surgery.
- Bring a dressing gown and slippers as you will walk to theatre. We endeavour to ensure single sex accommodation is provided.
- Remove all jewellery (including body piercings). Wedding rings are acceptable providing your hand is not being operated on.
- Please remove all nail varnish from hands and feet.
- False nails and make-up must not be worn.
- It is essential that you have a supply of pain relief medication at home for after your procedure.

## On Admission Day

- Please bring any medicines, tablets or inhalers you are currently taking.
- Bring something to read whilst you wait for your procedure.
- There are no facilities on the unit for relatives to stay with you, unless exceptional circumstances.
- Please report to Day Procedure Reception, third floor, Calderdale Royal Hospital, when you arrive for your procedure. The nurse allocated to look after you will check your admission details, check your blood pressure and pulse, and show you to the pre-operative waiting area.
- You will see a doctor / consultant before your procedure.
- You may see an anaesthetist, who may prescribe some medication to take before your procedure. This is called a pre-med and may be tablets (or exceptionally a suppository for which your permission will be sought).
- You will be asked to change into a gown shortly before your procedure and will be shown to a smaller waiting area.
- The nurse will then escort you to the operating theatre where you will have your procedure as planned.
- A relative/friend over 18 years must collect you from the unit and stay with you for 24 hours.

**Please be aware:** Although your admission time is 7.30 am or 12.00 pm, you may not have your operation until later in the morning or afternoon.

## After Your Procedure

- You will recover from your procedure either on a trolley or in a reclining chair.
- You may eat and drink as soon as you feel like it.
- When staff are happy that you are fit to go home, you may arrange to be picked up from the unit.
- Dependent on the type of anaesthetic or surgery you require please be aware there is a possibility you may not be able to drive for up to 4 days or more following your procedure.
- You will be advised not to operate household appliances for 24 hours and not to operate machinery for 4 days.
- You must not fly on an aeroplane for 2 weeks after a general anaesthetic or 6 weeks after lower limb surgery.
- You will be given a copy of the letter we send to your GP and advice about your procedure.
- You may be given some medication to take at home.
- If you have stitches or dressings, the nurse will make arrangements for them to be removed or changed by a district / practice nurse.
- You may be given an outpatients appointment.
- One of the ways we try to improve the service is by listening to feedback from patients and relatives.  
**We would be very grateful if you would fill in a feedback form.**

If you have any worries after discharge, you may contact the Day Procedure Unit for advice (within the first 4 weeks) - Telephone 01422 223749 7.30 am to 7.30 pm.

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**Important - Having day surgery means that you complete your recovery at home instead of in hospital. It is therefore important that you follow the advice given by the doctor or nurse.**

If you have any comments about this leaflet or the service you have received you can contact :

Clinical Service Manager  
Telephone No: 01484 342527

[www.cht.nhs.uk](http://www.cht.nhs.uk)

If you would like this information in another format or language contact the above.

Potřebujete-li tyto informace v jiném formátu nebo jazyce, obraťte se prosím na výše uvedené oddělení

Jeżeli są Państwo zainteresowani otrzymaniem tych informacji w innym formacie lub wersji językowej, prosimy skontaktować się z nami, korzystając z ww. danych kontaktowych

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