



**Pediatric
Surgery Center**
Treating kids better

PATIENT BILL OF RIGHTS

- No person is denied access to treatment because of race, sex, age, creed, color, national origin or the source of payment of the care given.

FINANCIAL PLANNING

- The Surgery Center fees cover the use of the facility only, and do not include laboratory, pathology, surgeon or anesthesiologist fees. You will be billed separately for those services.
- As a courtesy we will bill your primary and secondary insurance carriers directly for the Surgery Center's charges. Be sure to bring your most current insurance cards with you on the day of surgery. The Business Office will call you several days prior to surgery.
- Be prepared to pay any co-pay or deductible amounts on the day of your surgery. Patients who do not have insurance coverage are required to pay their charges in advance. We realize that at times you may require special financial arrangements. In these instances, please call our Center prior to the surgery to discuss alternative methods of payment. The Surgery Center accepts cash, cashier's checks, credit cards and personal checks with a valid photo I.D.
- Please feel free to contact our business office at any time if you have questions or concerns regarding the facility charges, our financial policies or billing procedures.

OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE

- The physician who referred you to our Surgery Center may have an ownership interest in this surgery center. You are free to choose another facility in which to receive the services that have been ordered by your physician.

PATIENT INFORMATION

Surgery Date: _____

Arrival Time: _____

LOCATION



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Welcome
to the
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PATIENT INFORMATION

Important Information About Your Child's Surgery

We are dedicated to providing the highest quality of surgical care for your child. We want to make your visit as pleasant and comfortable as possible; and to do that, we need your help. Please carefully read the information and follow the instructions. If you have any questions, please call our Center before the surgery date. Your child is important to us!

THE DAY OF SURGERY

PREPARING FOR SURGERY



- A few days before your child's scheduled surgery, a nurse and/or pediatric anesthesiologist will call you to ask you about your child's basic medical history, confirm your surgery time, and answer your questions. Please ask any questions you may have, and be sure to let us know of any special needs.
- Be sure to mention any allergies, any medications your child is taking, and anything else you think will be helpful to our staff.
- If your child has developed a cold, sore throat or fever, it's very important that you let your surgeon, anesthesiologist, or nurse know about it. If your child has been exposed to chickenpox within three weeks of the surgery, please call the surgery center and tell us.
- If your child is taking medication for any condition, ask the anesthesiologist or nurse whether or not to take it the day of surgery.

It is important for your child to adhere to the following instructions regarding food and liquid intake:

- Solid high-fat food (meat, cheese, fried food) is allowed until 8 hours prior to the scheduled procedure.
- Solid low-fat food (Formula, milk, cereals, bread, fruit juice with pulp) is allowed until 6 hours prior to the scheduled procedure.
- Breast milk is allowed until 4 hours prior to the procedure.
- Clear liquids, such as water, Pedialyte, apple juice, Popsicles, clear Jello, Kool-aid or Gatorade are allowed until 2 hours prior to the scheduled procedure. Unless otherwise instructed by the anesthesiologist, medications may be taken with a sip of water up to 2 hours prior to the procedure. Inhalers for asthma may be given at any time.
- Dress your child in comfortable, loose fitting clothing.
- If your child wears glasses, please bring them in a case for safekeeping.
- We welcome both parents, if available. Please limit the number of people who come with you and your child.
- Please bring your insurance identification cards.
- Be sure to bring any paperwork your doctor gave you, such as test results or medical history, and a list of medications your child is taking.
- If you are unable to arrive at the scheduled arrival time, please call 972-300-0215 and leave a message.
- Upon arrival, our nurse will confirm the last time your child had food or liquids.
- Your child may be asked to change into a gown. Your child will be examined and evaluated by a pediatric anesthesiologist.



ANESTHESIA FOR CHILDREN

- After you meet with the pediatric anesthesiologist, and your questions have been answered, a plan for your child's care will be determined and explained to you.
- Often, sedation will be provided prior to your child leaving you to go the operating room. This will be determined by age and need, and is usually given in oral form ("goofy juice"), or nose drops in the very young.
- After sedation, you will meet with the operating room nurse who will discuss the procedure so that you know exactly what to expect. Please ask any questions you have. The nurse will then take your child to the operating room and you will be asked to wait in the reception area.
- Most children will breathe anesthesia gases to go to sleep for the procedure. After the child is asleep, an intravenous line ("IV") may be placed. When the procedure is complete, your child will be moved to the recovery room, and you will be escorted to a consultation room to meet your surgeon and discuss the surgery. When your child is awake (which should take 10 to 15 minutes) you will be able to go the recovery room to visit.

PROCEDURE • RECOVERY • DISCHARGE

- Remember, no more than two people are permitted in the immediate recovery area with your child. If you brought other children with you they must be supervised by an adult.
- Discharge times vary depending on the nature of the surgery and can be as short as half an hour after the procedure.
- Once your child is ready to be discharged, you will be given detailed instructions regarding what they can eat or drink, any limitations on activity, and medications they should take.

AT HOME AFTER SURGERY

- After you get home, be sure to follow the care instructions you were provided. If you have any questions you should call your doctor's office.

