

Going to the hospital for surgery - checklist

There can be lots to remember.

Speak up if you are not sure about something.

- ? Ask questions.
- Ask for some more time.
- Ask to have pictures.
- Ask to have easy words.
- Ask for help.
- Ask a friend to come with you.



A list can help you remember what to do. You might like to make some lists.

- ☑ What to bring to hospital.
- ☑ What to do when I go home.
- ☑ Who I can call for help.
- ✓ Questions you want to ask.

Ask someone to help you with this if you need to.



Who can I ask for more info:

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- A Friend for help: _______ Phone number: ______
- A Social Worker: Phone number: ______



Some of the people you might talk to at the Hospital:

Surgeon

A special doctor who will do the surgery.



Nurse

A person who helps take care of you.



Anaesthetist

A special doctor who gives sleeping medication for the surgery.



Radiologist

A person who does X-rays.



Social worker

A person you can talk to about feelings and problems.



Physiotherapist

A person who helps your body get strong and working well again.



Care Co-ordinator

A special nurse who helps plan your hospital care.





Tests at the Hospital

- These help the Doctor find out about your body.
- Speak up if you are not sure what a test is for.

Some of the tests you might have:

Blood test

How healthy is your blood?



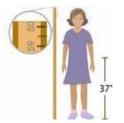
Blood pressure test

How strong is your heart pumping?



Height

How tall are you?



Weight

How heavy are you?



Urine (wee) test

What your wee shows about your health.



Ultrasound

Seeing inside you with ultrasound machineÈ



X-ray

Seeing inside you with an x-ray machineÈ

