

Welcome to children's Day Surgery

Day Surgery



Information
for parents

This sheet will tell you what you can expect from your child's time in Day Surgery.

What happens first?

Shortly one of the nurses will make some observations, such as taking your child's temperature. For children having an ear, nose and throat procedure your child will need to change into theatre clothing. Your child will also be seen by a surgeon if they are having a general anaesthetic.

Who can I bring to Day Surgery?

We require one parent to stay with a child in Day Surgery. However, space permitting, other adult family members may wait in the waiting room too. We do not have facilities for siblings or other children to wait in the unit so if you have arrived with children other than the patient please make arrangements for them to be collected as soon as possible.

What time will my child have their surgery?

The morning operating lists run between 9.00am and 12:30pm - the order of the list is decided upon by the surgical team at their briefing which takes place shortly before 9.00am. The afternoon operating lists run from 1:30 pm and 5:00 pm - the order of the list is decided upon by the surgical team at their briefing, which takes place shortly before 1.30pm.

Where do I wait during my child's surgery?

We will ask you to accompany your child into the operating room and stay with them until they are asleep. You can then return to the waiting room until the surgery has finished and your child is awake in the post operative recovery room.

Any questions?

If during your stay in Day Surgery you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask a member of the team.

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