



VALLEY AMBULATORY
SURGERY CENTER
Dedicated to Excellence in Patient Care

FAQ FOR YOUR PROCEDURE:

Why do I need to arrive so early for my procedure?

- Arriving ahead of your scheduled procedure time allows time for admitting and pre-operative preparation.

How is the Surgical Center different from a Hospital?

- Because a hospital must be staffed and equipped to treat all types of medical problems, it provides a much broader range of services than your current needs require. Since the surgery center is designed exclusively for short stay surgery, we are able to offer patients a convenient, comfortable and less costly alternative to the hospital.
- The Center's warm surroundings, pleasant atmosphere and the increased level of individual attention from our staff minimizes the stress often associated with surgery. Our center specializes in short stay surgery and our staff specializes in short stay care.

How is the Surgical Center similar to a Hospital?

- Your surgeon is supported by a highly skilled team of registered nurses and surgical technicians specially trained in surgical and recovery care.
- Our surgical suites and sophisticated equipment are like those of a large hospital.
- If scheduled, Board Certified Anesthesiologists will be involved in your care and will be visiting with you on admittance.

What Should I expect when I arrive at the Surgery Center?

- Upon arriving at the Center you will be asked to sign admittance and consent forms before proceeding to the pre-operative area. **If the patient is a minor or if the patient is an adult with a legal guardian, these forms must be signed by a parent or legal guardian.**
- **Guardians must also bring written proof of guardianship (e.g. healthcare power of attorney, healthcare proxy) on the day of surgery.** Without this documentation, surgery may be delayed or cancelled.