

SURGICAL PREADMISSION

Patient Information

Welcome to Castlemaine Health.

We look forward to caring for you and to ensure that your stay will be as pleasant as possible. Our aim is to provide a comfortable environment, of the highest possible standard. We offer dedicated and professional staff to ensure that you receive the best possible care at Castlemaine Health.

The following information will answer most of your questions so please READ CAREFULLY.

What should you bring?

- Health care card, pension card, other benefit cards or safety net details.
- All your **tablets** in their ORIGINAL container including **inhalers** and **insulin**.
- X-rays or scans if applicable to your surgery. E.g. nose, ear, shoulder, knee surgery
- A book or magazine (or favourite quiet toy for child).
- One support person/driver only is allowed to stay with you.
- If staying overnight, please bring night attire and toiletries
- Patients may require a small amount of money for prescriptions if required post surgery.

What should you do?

- Organize your driver escort home. Driver must have a full license. If you are having a same day stay procedure, it is essential that you have a support person to stay with you after discharge and over night.
- **Refrain from smoking and using recreational substances** for at least 24 hours before your procedure if you are having a general anaesthetic. You will not be able to smoke until after discharge from the Hospital.
- Have a **shower** the morning of your surgery. No powder, deodorant or perfume.
- Leave all jewellery and valuables at home. Do NOT wear makeup or nail polish.
- Buy Panadol to have at home for post operative pain management.

If you are having a COLONOSCOPY

Refer to the specific instructions received from your Surgeon. The instructions detail what you may or may not eat and drink and how to take the bowel preparation medication you have purchased.

What about medication, food and drink?

BRING all medications, in their packets, with you to hospital.

If you are having a **LOCAL ANAESTHETIC** there is no restriction on food and drink

If you are having a **GENERAL ANAESTHETIC** or **SEDATION** there are restrictions on food and drink

Morning Surgery

- DO take your regular medication with a little sip of water at the normal time.
(refer below for diabetic medication instruction)
- Do NOT eat after midnight
- Drink restricted fluids as per instructions provided during your preadmission phone call
- Do NOT chew gum or consume sweets

Afternoon Surgery

- DO take your regular medication with a little sip of water at the normal time.
(refer below for diabetic medication instruction)
- DO have a LIGHT breakfast (e.g. tea and toast) but, do NOT eat after 7.00 am
- Drink restricted fluids as per instructions provided during your preadmission phone call
- Do NOT chew gum or consume sweets

Other Medications and Conditions?

Diabetes Do NOT take your morning diabetic TABLETS on the day of your surgery.

If you are on INSULIN, your anaesthetist will contact you prior to your surgery. They will then be able to provide instructions, prior to your surgery, about your INSULIN dose(s).

Asthma DO take your inhalers and medication as usual and bring them to hospital with you.

Please tick boxes and record relevant details	Check at Phone Call	Check on Admission
Are there any legal directives in place for providing consent? Eg: guardianship, court order, medical treatment decision maker If yes, give details:..... <i>If you have an Advanced Care Directive, please bring a copy with you to hospital.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
<u>Have you had any of the following</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Heart surgery <input type="checkbox"/> Lung surgery <input type="checkbox"/> Spinal surgery <input type="checkbox"/> Head, Neck surgery <input type="checkbox"/> Other major surgery	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Have you or a relative had problems with a previous anaesthetic, operation or with malignant hyperthermia	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Are there any health conditions that run in the family If yes, describe:	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Have you been: <input type="checkbox"/> put on a Special diet → Describe:..... Or do you have: <input type="checkbox"/> Dietary restrictions	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Do you currently smoke: <input type="checkbox"/> cigarettes <input type="checkbox"/> e-cigarettes <input type="checkbox"/> vaping <input type="checkbox"/> marijuana Total number per day:..... If an ex-smoker, when ceased:	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Do you drink alcohol Approximate number per week:	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Do you use recreational substances Frequency:..... Describe:	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Do you use a mobility aid: If yes → <input type="checkbox"/> Walking Stick <input type="checkbox"/> Frame <input type="checkbox"/> Scooter	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Are you able to walk 1 kilometre	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Do you do your own: <input type="checkbox"/> Housework <input type="checkbox"/> Shopping <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Chopping <input type="checkbox"/> Lawn Mowing	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Do you have care responsibilities for others	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Do you have any self care problems	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Do you receive any community services	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
If you are a female patient: Are you currently breastfeeding Are you currently pregnant → How many weeks:	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
For a same day stay, it is essential for you to have an adult support person to stay with you after discharge <u>and</u> overnight – Has this been organised:	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Who is your escort home: Must be a fully licensed driver Name: Phone Numbers:		
Extra Information:		

Do you currently have or have you ever had any of the following conditions <i>(tick the appropriate boxes)</i>		Check at Phone Call	Check on Admission
RESPIRATORY	Shortness of Breath..... <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma <input type="checkbox"/> Bronchitis <input type="checkbox"/> Pneumonia <input type="checkbox"/> Emphysema <input type="checkbox"/> Tuberculosis <input type="checkbox"/> COPD <input type="checkbox"/> Lung disease <input type="checkbox"/> Sleep Apnoea <input type="checkbox"/> Snoring <input type="checkbox"/> Disturbed Sleep <input type="checkbox"/> Bronchiectasis <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic Respiratory Failure <input type="checkbox"/>		
ENDOCRINE / METABOLIC	Diabetes..... <input type="checkbox"/> Type 1 → <input type="checkbox"/> Insulin controlled <input type="checkbox"/> Type 2 → <input type="checkbox"/> Diet Only <input type="checkbox"/> Tablets Only BSL Range:..... <input type="checkbox"/> Insulin Only <input type="checkbox"/> Tablets & Insulin <i>(If tablets or insulin ticked, ensure they are included in the medication list)</i> Thyroid disease..... <input type="checkbox"/> Cystic Fibrosis..... <input type="checkbox"/>		
CARDIOVASCULAR	Angina..... <input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain..... <input type="checkbox"/> Irregular Heart Beat..... <input type="checkbox"/> Rheumatic Fever..... <input type="checkbox"/> Heart Murmurs..... <input type="checkbox"/> Palpitations..... <input type="checkbox"/> Ischaemic Heart Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic Heart Failure..... <input type="checkbox"/> Heart problems:		
CIRCULATORY	High Blood Pressure..... <input type="checkbox"/> Bleeding Tendency..... <input type="checkbox"/> Low Blood Pressure..... <input type="checkbox"/> Anaemia..... <input type="checkbox"/> Coronary Artery Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Blood Disorders/diseases.. <input type="checkbox"/> Blood Clots in: <input type="checkbox"/> Lungs <input type="checkbox"/> Legs Blood Transfusion: → Year:.....		
GENITO URINARY	<input type="checkbox"/> Chronic Kidney Disease: Stage:..... <input type="checkbox"/> Bladder Problems:.....		
MUSCULOSKELETAL	Arthritis: Rheumatoid..... <input type="checkbox"/> Neck problems..... <input type="checkbox"/> Osteo..... <input type="checkbox"/> Back problems..... <input type="checkbox"/> Hip problems..... <input type="checkbox"/> Jaw problems..... <input type="checkbox"/> Osteoporosis..... <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle Disorder..... <input type="checkbox"/> Muscular Dystrophy..... <input type="checkbox"/> Spina Bifida..... <input type="checkbox"/> Systemic Lupus Erythematosus.... <input type="checkbox"/> Fibromyalgia..... <input type="checkbox"/> MND..... <input type="checkbox"/>		
NERVOUS SYSTEM	Blackouts..... <input type="checkbox"/> Epilepsy..... <input type="checkbox"/> Fits..... <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke..... <input type="checkbox"/> Parkinson's Disease..... <input type="checkbox"/> TIA..... <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Sclerosis..... <input type="checkbox"/> Cerebral Palsy..... <input type="checkbox"/> Plegia (eg: Tetraplegia, Paraplegia, Diplegia, Monoplegia, Hemiplegia)..... <input type="checkbox"/>		

Do you currently have or have you ever had any of the following conditions <i>(tick the appropriate boxes)</i>		Check at Phone Call	Check on Admission
DIGESTIVE	Hepatitis What Type..... <input type="checkbox"/>	Jaundice..... <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Chronic Liver Disease..... <input type="checkbox"/>	Reflux..... <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Stomach Ulcers..... <input type="checkbox"/>	Crohn's Disease..... <input type="checkbox"/>	
	GORD <input type="checkbox"/> (Gastro-Oesophageal Reflux Disease)	Ulcerative Colitis..... <input type="checkbox"/>	
MENTAL/BEHAVIOURAL	Anxiety..... <input type="checkbox"/>	Mental Health Problem..... <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Depression..... <input type="checkbox"/>	Intellectual Development Disorder.. <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Dementia..... <input type="checkbox"/>	Autism..... <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Down's Syndrome <input type="checkbox"/>	ADHD..... <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Other: <input type="checkbox"/>	Schizophrenia..... <input type="checkbox"/>	

Any other medical conditions not previously listed? (eg cancer)

INFECTION CONTROL RISK SCREEN Please complete – (If yes to any question, staff refer to Infection Control Admission Risk Screen MR/126(m))

1	A recent admission to an Australian health care facility within the last 4 weeks	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
2	Direct transfer, overnight stay in hospital or residential care facility overseas in the previous 12 months	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
3	Any contact with an infectious patient	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
4	Any current symptoms of an infectious illness (underline) e.g. diarrhoea, vomiting, febrile illness, rash, persistent cough, flu like symptoms, ebola	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
5	Any discharging or infected wounds or exfoliating skin disorder	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
6	A current indwelling invasive device e.g. PICC, Portacath, IDC, IV, Cannula	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
7	Any current or recent symptoms of communicable infectious disease e.g. measles, chicken pox, pertussis	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
8	A history of Creutzfeldt Jakob Disease (CJD)	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
9	A multi-resistant organism infection or colonisation e.g. MRSA, VRE, C Difficile, ESBL, CPE	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		
10	Currently immunosuppressed (Neutrophils <1.0 10g/L)	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		

Office Use Only:

Anaesthetist → emailed NUM → emailed

Tests / Requirements

ECG

Pathology:.....

Scans / X-rays Crutches Mirena

Over 110 kg (third party check) Cataracts (manage eye drops)

Other:

Infection Risk Plan

Pre-Admission Nurse's Name:..... Signature:..... Date:.....

Admission Nurse's Name:..... Signature:..... Date:.....

What if you have to stay overnight?

- You may telephone the Nurse Unit Manager on the Acute Unit (Telephone: 5471 3473) to talk about your stay.
- Please bring night attire and toiletries.

What about my support person?

- A parent can stay overnight in their child's room.
- Other than above, overnight accommodation is not available at the Hospital.
- Contact the local accommodation booking service phone 1800 171 888 or www.maldoncastlemaine.com for a wide range of motel and overnight stay options.
- Our cafeteria offers a selection of meals and snacks from 8.00 am
- Our cafeteria also has a comfortable lounge and waiting area.
- It is recommended that two adults accompany children to the age of 12 (if possible).

Is there anything else?

What if I get a cold or feel sick? Tell your local doctor and let the Pre Admission nurse know as soon as possible on 03 5471 3621.

If you have an **Advanced Care Directive** please bring a copy with you, along with the details of your **Medical Treatment Decision Maker** if you have one appointed.

Interpreter or Translation Service Should you require the hospital to access an interpreter or translation service, ensure you have completed the pre admission registration details.

Special Dietary requirements At your pre admission phone call please advise the nurse if you have any special dietary needs.

Ensuring Correct Procedures

It is a requirement for staff to recheck your information and to make sure they have everything right.

Before the procedure, a doctor or nurse will ask you to say your name, date of birth and the part of your body that will be treated or examined. Don't be alarmed by these questions; the staff know who you are. This is how they make sure they have everything right.

It is a requirement for the doctor to correctly identify the operative site.

Before your procedure, the doctor and nursing staff may need to mark with a pen on the part of your body where the procedure will happen. Some doctors will sign their name or initials; others may make an "X" or "Yes" mark on the correct body part.

Check that the mark does not rub off. It will be very important for the doctors and nurses to see the mark before the procedure commences. Tell your doctor or nurse if the mark rubs or washes off before the procedure.

Just before the procedure begins, everyone in the treatment room will take a short "time out" and check for the last time they have the right patient and are doing the right procedure on the right body part.

These important steps are taken to make sure that everything goes as planned for your care.

