

Driving Directions to Main Hospital

From Northwest Washington: Take Wisconsin Ave. south to Reservoir Rd. Turn right.

From Southeast Washington: Take Pennsylvania Ave. west to Independence Ave. Bear left. Take Independence to 12th St. Turn right onto 12th St. to Massachusetts (Mass) Ave. Turn left onto Mass Ave. Stay on Mass Ave. through underpass to Scott Circle. From the circle take Rhode Island Ave. (West) to M St. Bear right on M St. Follow to Wisconsin Ave. Turn right on Wisconsin to Reservoir Rd. Turn left onto Reservoir Rd.

From Maryland: Take I-95 south to I-495 west to Silver Spring. Exit Rte. 355 Wisconsin Ave. south to Washington. Take Wisconsin Ave. south to Reservoir Rd. Turn right.

From Northern Virginia (I-66): After 9 a.m., take I-66 east to the Rosslyn Key Bridge exit. Stay in left lane and follow signs to Key Bridge. Cross Key Bridge and stay in left lane. Turn left onto Canal Rd. Stay in right lane. Bear right onto Foxhall Rd. Turn right onto Reservoir Rd.

From Northern Virginia (I-395): Take I-395 north. Exit Washington Blvd. To Rosslyn. Take Washington Blvd. And follow signs to Rosslyn and Key Bridge. Cross Key Bridge. Turn left onto Canal Rd. Stay in right lane. Bear right onto Foxhall Rd. Turn right at Reservoir Rd.

Surgery/Same Day Surgery

If you are coming to the Hospital for surgery, enter through Entrance 2 and proceed to the door under the green awning — the Surgery center. The registration desk is just inside the door. You may park in the Hospital Parking garage at Entrance 2.

Wheelchair Access and Handicap Parking

Wheelchair accessibility for physician visits is best at the Gorman/Pasquerilla entrances (Entrance 1). For Admissions, Radiology and Surgery, use Entrance 2 for access to the Main and CCC Buildings, Handicapped parking is available in all parking lots and garages.

Parking Charges and Discounts

Parking costs \$2 an hour to a maximum of \$6 a day. If you want to enter and exit throughout the day, please ask for a re-entry pass so that you will pay only once.

Parents of pediatric patients can get a pass to park in the hospital parking garage for \$5 per day. The pass allows parents to enter and exit the garage.

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Surgery Center

Testing Center
(202) 444-2746

Pre-Operative Instructions

Welcome to Georgetown University Hospital and our Surgery Center. The purpose of our unit is to complete the preoperative testing and inform you of instructions required for your surgery. This allows us to identify potential problems or irregularities prior to surgery.

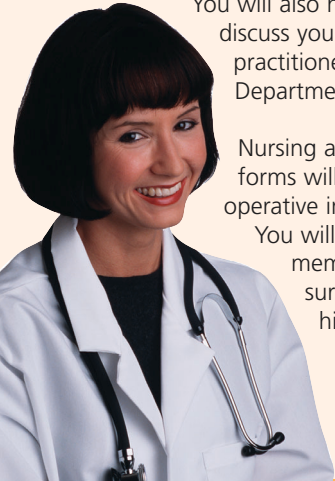
Pre-Operative Tests and Instructions

Some of the pre-operative tests include: laboratory work (blood and urine), electrocardiogram and chest x-ray. These tests can be completed by your physician/HMO and faxed or brought with you to your testing appointment. Please make the appropriate arrangements to meet this requirement. Failure to do so may result in a delay or cancellation of your surgery. Please call us at (202) 444-2746 to schedule your testing appointment. Our fax number is (202) 444-4208.

You will also have the opportunity to discuss your anesthesia with a nurse practitioner or a resident from the Department of Anesthesia.

Nursing assessments and consent forms will be reviewed and pre-operative instructions will be given.

You will also be interviewed by a member of your physician's surgical team for a brief history and physical.



Preparation for Surgery

1. Do not eat or drink anything after twelve midnight prior to your surgery.
2. If you are on daily medications, the representative from anesthesia will indicate which medications you will continue on the day of surgery. You may take these medications with a small sip of water.
Medications: _____
3. Do not apply any lotions, creams or make-up prior to your arrival for surgery. Make-up may irritate your eyes while you are anesthetized.
4. Keep all valuables at home. If you are spending the night, pack a bathrobe, slippers and toiletries.

5. **Arrival time on the day of surgery should be:**

_____ This time is **very** important, please allow yourself extra time for traffic congestion. You will be called the day prior to surgery if there is any change in your arrival time.

6. If you are having Same Day Surgery requiring general anesthesia or sedation, arrange for someone to accompany you home from the hospital. You will not be permitted to drive home or ride in a cab unaccompanied. The sedation you receive before or during your procedure prevents you from driving for the next 24 hours.

Date of Surgery

Go to Entrance 2, off Reservoir Rd. Look for the green awning labeled Surgery Center. Arrive at your designated time. Please call (202) 444-6555 for inquiries.

Prior to going to the Operating Room you will be asked to:

1. Remove all dentures or bridges and contact lenses. (Please bring containers.)
2. Remove all jewelry including a wedding band.
3. Remove all clothing and put on a hospital gown and slippers.
4. Use the bathroom to empty your bladder.

Your post-operative room, if you are being admitted, will be assigned at the completion of your surgery. Family/friends will be asked to be responsible for your belongings. You may wish to leave items at home or in your car until the room number has been assigned. In the event you are unaccompanied, your belongings will be delivered to your post-operative room at the end of the day. Outpatients, depending on the type of surgery, should bring appropriate clothing to wear home.

You will be escorted to the Operating Room.

If you are having same day surgery, your family and friends will be asked to wait in the Surgery Center. If you are being admitted for an overnight hospitalization, your family and friends will be directed to the Surgery Waiting Area on 2 CCC. Our staff will tell them your room number when your surgery is over.