



GATEWAY DENTISTRY
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Gateway Dentistry Group
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Pre-Operative Instructions for General Anesthesia
(GPRH or Gateway Dentistry Clinic)

- **ABSOLUTELY NO** food or drink (including water) must be consumed by your child past midnight the day prior to their surgery, **UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED BY ANESTHESIOLOGIST. This is critical for their safety.**
- A responsible adult **MUST** drive your child to and from the hospital or clinic for treatment. Under no circumstances may your child leave on their own or by taxi or transit. Their surgery could be canceled if they do not have a responsible adult to care for them.
- Your child **MUST** have a medical examination (also called a pre-op physical) by your family doctor before your paperwork can be processed further. We provide you with a form for your doctor to fill out and fax back to us. (Fax # 780-539-3554). **THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT.**

If their surgery is booked greater than 3 months from the date of their pre-op physical, be aware that we may require this examination to be repeated prior to the actual surgery date, at the discretion of the Anesthesiologist.

- Pre Admission Clinic (PAC): You may get a call from the GPRH or our clinic if the Anesthesiologist requires further medical information prior to your child's surgery.
- If your child is booked at the hospital, a nurse from the GPRH **MUST** talk to you the day before your child's surgery to give you your time of arrival and final instructions. To confirm your time, please call 780-538-7108 by 1:00pm. If your child is scheduled on a Monday, the same rule applies to the preceding Friday. Please notify the Pre-Admission Clinic at the GPRH at (825)412-4431 if your child develops a cold, influenza, sore throat or other infection shortly before their surgery. Their surgery may need to be rescheduled.
- If your child is booked at our clinic (Gateway Dentistry Group), a team member **MUST** talk to you the day before your child's surgery to give you your time of arrival and final instructions. If you have not heard from us before 1:00pm the day prior to your child's appointment, please call the clinic at 780-539-3555 to confirm your time. If your child is scheduled on a Monday, the same rule applies to the preceding Friday. Please notify our clinic at 780-539-3555 if your child develops a cold, influenza, sore throat or other infection shortly before your surgery. Their surgery may need to be rescheduled.
- Please bring your child an extra set of clothing, as well as Children's Tylenol (acetaminophen) and Children's Advil (ibuprofen), in case these items are needed after surgery.
- If an EMLA patch has been provided to you, please stick this patch to the back of your child's LEFT hand 90 minutes prior to your surgery time. If you require any additional EMLA patches please visit your nearest pharmacy.
- In the event of a cancellation with less than 48 business hours' notice, or a failed appointment, or failure to adhere to pre-operative instructions, a \$500.00 non-refundable fee will apply.
- Only one parent will be able to accompany their child to the surgery appointment. Any additional family will need to wait in the vehicle and will not be permitted into the appointment.