

**Patient Tracking Number:** 

# **Welcome Family and Care Planners**

Our Welcome Desk staff is available for your needs in the Surgical Lounge. Please feel free to ask questions at any time. We are here to provide a comfortable atmosphere for you and keep you updated throughout the day.

Before Surgery, Pre-Operative (Pre-Op)This is where we prepare your loved one for surgery. When preparation is complete, one family member or friend is welcome to come back and visit until the time of surgery.Operating RoomYou will be updated throughout the surgical procedure by the	1 to 2 Hours Time varies
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tracking board, which is in the family lounge. You can find the status on the tracking board by using the Patient Tracking Number at the top left of this sheet.	depending upon the procedure
The surgeon will provide you with an estimated length of the surgery. Please remember this is only an estimate. We will let you know if the surgical time is longer.	We will update you
The surgeon will speak with you after the procedure and provide details about the procedure. Please do not hesitate to ask questions and/or take notes. Important: There will be a delay from the time the surgeon is finished with	when surgery starts. Please refer to the
	tracking board
Recovery, Post Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU) Please review patient tracking board to see when your loved one is in recovery. Visitation is limited to one family member or friend, out of respect for the privacy of other patients and to allow the recovery room nurses to focus on patient care. Remember, please feel free to ask questions at any time.	1 to 2 Hours, Time can vary depending upon the procedure
A Few Friendly Reminders:	
<ul> <li>Please help us maintain a quiet and respectful environment.</li> <li>Please be respectful of others while using your cell phone; no spea please.</li> <li>Please be mindful that patients cannot eat or drink while waiting in Please turn down ringtones and notifications.</li> <li>Please use headphones when listening to electronic devices.</li> </ul>	
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# Can I leave the surgical area during the surgical procedure?

You are welcome to go to the vending machines\* located on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of the HMC (Harrington Medical Ctr), or the Pharmacy\* but then please promptly return to the lounge area. If you do leave the Family Lounge area, please let the Front Desk know you are stepping away. Please be sure to check back in with the Front Desk when you return. **YOU MUST REMAIN IN THE BUILDING AT ALL TIMES** 

#### Will I speak to the surgeon when the procedure is complete?

Yes, your surgeon will be out to talk to you after the procedure is complete. Your privacy is extremely important to us, which is why we offer a separate, quiet consultation room where our surgeon may privately discuss the results of your loved one's surgery. Also, since your loved one will be waking up from anesthesia, information will be communicated to YOU by the surgeon to share with the patient as soon as he/she is fully awake and aware.

## **Patient Tracking Board**

You can also track your loved one's surgery by viewing the tracking board located in the Family Lounge. You can follow by viewing the *patient tracking number* found on the top left area on the other side of this sheet.

## How will I know when my family member is ready to leave the PACU?

Waiting room assistant will reunite you with your loved one when he/she is in recovery.

Pharmacy Shop Hours: Monday – Friday (8am-5pm)

Vending Machine Locations:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Lower Level, Harrington Medical Center Building
- 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Lounge