Your Surgical Journey



Welcome to the Mater. This pathway will inform you about what to expect on your surgical journey today.



Step 1: Arrival Time

Your arrival time to Hospital was arranged by your surgeon. Waiting times will vary according to your surgeon and their theatre list, each patient may therefore have different waiting times.



Step 2: Clerical Admission

Reception staff will call your name and confirm your details are correct, collect any payments required. You will then be taken to the admitting area. where the nurses will admit you.



Step 3: Nursing Admission

Our nursing staff will check your details are correct and that you are wearing identification bands. The nursing admission will include vital signs such as blood pressure, heart rate and your medical history.

We will also confirm your pick up and carer arrangements if you are a day case.



Step 4: Pre-op Preparation

You will be provided with a theatre gown and taken into a waiting bay close to your operating time. You will be kept warm during this time and nursing staff will communicate wait times.

We will also safely store your luggage.



Step 5: Operation / Surgical Procedure / Recovery

Being in the operating environment can be an overwhelming experience. Our professional surgical team are there to support you through this time.

Our trained recovery team will look after you as you wake from your anaesthetic and will keep you comfortable



Step 6: Post Recovery - LEAVING TODAY

You will be provided with some refreshments and change into your own clothing. Your designated pick-up person will be contacted with instructions regarding pick up time and requirements for collecting any medication from the pharmacy.



Step 6: Post Recovery - STAYING IN HOSPITAL

You will be transferred to a ward room and your belongings will be delivered to you. Our nursing team will provide your post-operative care and communicate with you the stages of your ongoing recovery.

