

Pre-Admission Testing Department 2nd Floor

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WHAT TO EXPECT FROM PRE-ADMISSION TESTING

Prior to arrival

You will receive a phone call from one of our staff members to schedule an appointment for your preadmission testing. If you are unavailable when we call, a message will be left with a date and time for you to come for testing. You can also feel free to call us once your surgery is booked to ensure that the appointment best fits your schedule. To schedule an appointment, please call the number provided. 978-687-0156 ext. 2530 or ext. 2675.

Upon Arrival

- Upon arrival for pre-operative testing, you will see one of our secretaries at the front desk.
- You will be asked to provide some basic information including your name, date of birth, etc. You will also be asked to provide your completed health questionnaire provided in this folder. Additionally, please bring your medication list with you and we will make a copy. By completing this information in advance, the amount of time spent in pre-admission testing will be significantly reduced. Prior completion will also prevent last minute delays and cancellations of any surgeries.
- We will also ask that you provide any pacemaker/defibrillator and/or cardiac stent cards that you may have. This information is essential in order to proceed with surgery.

Actual Testing

The testing required for each patient may be different. You may require blood work only, or you may require an EKG, x-rays and an anesthesia consult depending on what your surgeon has ordered. Any blood work will be done in our laboratory on the ground floor G21. X-rays will be performed in our radiology department, also on the ground floor (G). EKGs, nurse interviews and histories/physicals will be completed on the 2nd floor in the pre-admission testing area. You may have to move from one area to another and so, we are happy to provide you with any directions or ambulatory assistance that you may require.

Important Note

All past and current health information will be important to us. Delays in surgery often occur as a result of missing information. For example, if you have been seeing a cardiologist for any reason, you should call him or her as soon as possible prior to your surgery to ensure that you do not require any particular cardiac testing at that time. It is always a good idea to call your primary care physician as early as possible prior to surgery to determine whether he or she will want to schedule a pre-operative evaluation visit.

We look forward to meeting you and are happy to assist you in any way we can. Please feel free to call the
telephone number provided above with any questions or concerns.