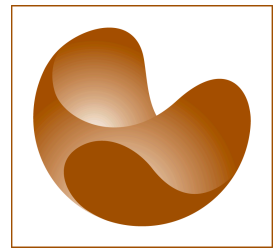


YOUR ADMISSION INTO MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL



Now that your surgical date is confirmed with our staff we hope you find the following information useful to assist in your admission to the Macquarie University Hospital:

- Ensure that your hospital admission forms are filled in and sent back to our central booking office as soon as possible (Suite A12, 24 - 32 Lexington Drive, Bella Vista, NSW 2153).
- The admissions department will call you the afternoon prior to confirm arrival time and fasting time (ie the time when you have to stop eating and drinking). If you have not heard from the hospital by 4 pm, please call 9812 3059 to check arrival and fasting times.
- Don't forget all of your **CT Scans/ MRI scans**. In some cases of ear and nose operations, we **can not proceed with the operation without these scans** as they are like a road map of your anatomy.
- Try to eat a protein rich diet for three weeks before the operation (see our preoperative nutrition sheet). Don't forget to stop eating 6 hours before your surgery time.
- Bring loose fitting pajamas and an overnight bag (if you are booked to stay overnight)
- For children please bring some books and toys, as there may be some waiting.
- For Adults a book to read, or an iPod/ iPad can help ease the wait.
- Please stop smoking for two weeks before and 3 weeks after your operation. There is very good research evidence that illustrates a worse outcome for all ENT operations if you smoke.
- Bring all your usual medicines on the day of the operation, so that our anaesthetists can see exactly what medicines you are taking.
- Take all your usual medicines with a sip of water the morning of the operation (except diabetic medicines, if you are taking them).

We look forward to meeting you again on the day of the surgery and making the operation as comfortable as possible for you.

For more information on the hospital visit:
<http://www.muh.org.au/>