



Welcome



Your Guide to Surgery

We hope you find this booklet helpful. It contains information about your surgery.

Welcome to Akron General Medical Center. We are so pleased you chose us for your healthcare needs.

We hope you find this booklet helpful. The pages that follow contain important information about your surgery, as well as specific home care instructions. If you have a particular need, please mention it to your nurse or bring it to the attention of our Patient Advocate by calling 330-344-6711.

We hope your experience here is a pleasant one, and will do everything to make your stay as comfortable as possible.

On behalf of Akron General, I wish you a speedy recovery.

Sincerely,

Jack Mitstifer, MD
President, Inpatient Services
Akron General Medical Center



Akron General. The Choice You Can Believe In.

330-344-6000

www.akrongeneral.org



TOBACCO FREE POLICY
Smoking is prohibited in all buildings

on the Akron General grounds. Akron General is a smoke/tobacco-free campus. Smoking and the use of tobacco products is prohibited any place on the Akron General campus including vehicles.

ITEMS TO BRING WITH YOU ON THE DAY OF SURGERY:

- Health care insurance card.
- This booklet and a list of medications and any special assist devices (i.e. crutches, immobilizers, etc.) that may be used at home.
- A copy of your completed Advance Directives. There may not be sufficient time available the day of surgery to complete. (Optional)
- Any doctor orders.
- Any completed tests from another facility or doctor (i.e. test results, EKGs, X-rays).
- Photo ID.

NAME: _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SURGERY

- Please arrive at **Akron General Medical Center** on:
Date: _____ at time _____ am/pm.
- Please park in the parking deck across the street from the Main Entrance.
- You need to enter through the main entrance hospital and report to the Surgical Welcome Center.
- Do **NOT** eat or drink after midnight before your surgery. No mints or gum, please.
- **Continue to take all your scheduled medications as instructed with a sip of water. If you have any question please ask your physician for additional instructions.**
- Do not wear make-up or nail polish. All jewelry including wedding bands and piercings **MUST** be removed. No wigs, hairpins, glasses, contact lenses, false eyelashes, dentures or partial plate in the operating room.
- Please leave all valuables including credit cards, money, and cell phones at home.
- If you use inhalers, please bring them with you on the day of surgery.
- If you use a **CPAP** or **BIPAP** machine, please bring it with you the day of surgery.
- Bring your glasses or glass case
- Dress in casual, comfortable clothing.
- Do not wear cologne, perfume, deodorant or skin lotions.
- All females with childbearing potential will be required to bring the first voided urine on the day of surgery for pregnancy testing. A urine cup will be provided to you by your doctor's office or Pre-Surgical Testing Department or you may use a clean, leak-proof jar, labeled with your name. Bring the container of urine with you to the pre-surgical unit on the day of surgery.
- Please let your surgeon know if you develop any cold or flu symptoms or have any change in the area where you are having surgery, (ie. rashes, scratches, pimples, injuries, or breaks in the skin). **DO NOT SHAVE THE OPERATIVE SITE.**
- **FOR YOUR PERSONAL SAFETY- YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO DRIVE OR TAKE A TAXI HOME ALONE.** Please make arrangements for someone to drive or accompany you home in a taxi.
- For those patients being admitted to the hospital, **PLEASE LEAVE ALL SUITCASES AND YOUR PERSONAL BELONGINGS IN YOUR CAR.** Family may bring the items to your room after you are admitted.

Name: _____

You have a Pre-Surgical testing appointment for

Date: _____ Day: _____ Time: _____ a.m./p.m

Report to the first floor of the Ambulatory Care Center. Address 301 Wabash Ave. Park in the deck adjacent to the building and check in with the Pre-Surgical Testing Department. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your appointment.

Your Surgery is scheduled for

Date: _____ Day: _____ Est. Time: _____ a.m./p.m

Please arrive at _____ a.m./p.m

Please plan to arrive no later than 2 hours prior to your surgery, unless otherwise instructed. This allows time for you to speak to an anesthesiologist, have lab tests completed, be prepared for surgery and get comfortable. You may have one visitor accompany you to the Pre-Surgical Unit on the day of your surgery.

If you are unable to have your surgery or pre-testing on the day scheduled, notify your doctor to be rescheduled.

Important phone numbers

Akron General Chart
Command Central
M - F 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
330-344-7845

Akron General Pre-Surgical
Testing Department
M - F 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
330-344-7776

Akron General Surgery
Welcome Center
330-344-6466

Akron General Pre-Surgical Unit
330-344-6436

Akron General Patient
Financial Services
M - Th 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. and
F 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
330-344-2000

They are able to answer your questions about insurance coverage, Medicare and other financial concerns.

Before your surgery

Registering

You may register for your surgery two ways:

- Call registration, 330-344-6152. If you have to leave a message, include your name, date of surgery, telephone number and a convenient time to contact you. An Akron General Representative will return your call.
- Wait for an Akron General Representative to call you to complete registration over the phone.

Pre-admission testing

Within 30 days of your surgery, your surgeon may require you to undergo certain tests, and have a physical. You will also meet with a registered nurse who will give you the latest information concerning your instructions before your surgery. This appointment should last no longer than 90 minutes.

All patients will receive a phone call from a registered nurse prior to your Pre-Admission testing appointment/surgery. Please have available your health history information, a list of all your current medications (including non-prescription and herbal therapies) dosages, a reason for usage and any allergies. This phone call will last approximately 15 minutes. If you receive a message, please return the call to 330-344-7845. If you are asked to leave a message, please provide a phone number and a time that is convenient for us to reach you. The office hours are Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

On the day of your appointment you may eat and drink as normal. Please bring any papers your surgeon gave you along with your insurance cards and a copy of your advance directive, if appropriate. Please see page 12 for more information on Advance Directives.

OUR MISSION & VALUES

Our Mission is to improve the health and lives of our patients and community.

Our Values are Patients First, Leadership, Quality, Financially Sound, Integrity, Caring

Preparing for your surgery

Your doctor may have given you specific instructions to be followed prior to your surgery. **NOTIFY YOUR SURGEON IF YOU ARE TAKING ASPIRIN, BLOOD THINNERS OR ARTHRITIC MEDICATION DAILY.**

Anesthesia

Your doctor will discuss with you the expected type of anesthesia for your procedure.

The types of anesthesia will be explained by a member of the Anesthesia Department in the Pre-Surgical Unit on the day of your procedure.

If you have a general, regional, or local anesthesia with sedation, you must arrange for a responsible adult to accompany you home. For your safety, you will not be allowed to drive or take public transportation alone after a surgery with anesthesia.

Day before your surgery

On the day before your surgery, follow these guidelines.

- Try to relax and have a quiet evening.
- Do not drink any alcohol, beer, wine or smoke 24 hours before your surgery.

Surgical site infection prevention

A surgical site infection is one that occurs after surgery in the part of the body where the surgery took place. Most people who have surgery do not develop an infection. But infections do occur in 1 to 3 of every 100 people who have surgery.

You can help to prevent a surgery site infection.

- Tell the doctor about other medical problems you may have. Health problems such as allergies, diabetes and asthma could affect your surgery and recovery.
- Quit smoking. Patients who smoke get more infections. Talk to your doctor about ways you can quit before your surgery.
- Do not shave the surgery site. Shaving with a razor can irritate your skin and make it easier to develop an infection.

The day of your surgery

Plan to arrive at the hospital no later than two hours before your surgery, unless otherwise instructed. For a 7 a.m. or 7:30 a.m. surgery, please arrive at the Surgery Welcome Center at 6 a.m.

When you arrive

Enter the hospital through the Main Entrance and proceed directly to the Surgery Welcome Center. Check-in at the reception desk. At this time a surgical clerk will review your paperwork and have you sign any final registration or insurance forms. If you have a completed copy of your Advance Directive, you may give the receptionist that form.

A health care professional will escort you and **one other visitor** to the Pre-Surgical Unit and you will receive a hospital gown to change into. Your belongings will be locked up. Next, a nurse will begin to ask you medical questions. Before the surgery you will speak with an anesthesiologist concerning anesthesia to be used for your procedure. An intravenous line (IV) to give fluids and medicine during surgery will be started. Once you go into surgery your visitor will be instructed to return to the Surgery Welcome Center.

Children under the age of 12 are not permitted in the Pre-Surgical Unit, but may be in the Surgery Welcome Center as long as they are in the care of an adult at all times.

Delays on the day of surgery

The Surgery Department is committed to staying on schedule with surgeries. However, emergencies do arise that may cause a delay in the surgery schedule. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we work to keep you informed as delays occur.

In the Surgery Welcome Center

Your family and friends may wait for you in the Surgery Welcome Center on the second floor of the main hospital building. Your visitors should check in and out with the hostess in the waiting area so messages can be relayed from the surgeon and Post-Anesthesia Unit (PACU) personnel. The hostess will notify your family when you are ready for discharge from PACU or when you are transferred to your room. There are private conference rooms for discussion with your surgeon. Because of limited space, we ask that there be no more than two or three visitors per patient. Additional visitors are welcome in the main lobby. The hostess can provide information regarding food and beverage availability.

After your surgery

Following surgery, you will be taken to the Post-Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU). Specially trained nurses will monitor your progress in recovering from the immediate effects of your surgery and anesthesia. Oxygen is routinely used upon arrival to PACU. You will be asked to cough and deep breathe and you will also be asked to assist the nurse in evaluating your pain.

Your recovery from pain and anesthesia medications will vary from one to three hours, depending upon the type of procedure you have had and the anesthesia used and how you respond to pain medication. Pain medications in small doses will be given to keep you comfortable but may cause some nausea. Although absence of pain may not be possible, we want to make you as comfortable as possible. Each patient responds differently to anesthesia so please do not be alarmed if you remain in PACU longer than the average time. The PACU nurse may call a telephone update to your family spokesperson after surgery.

Some patients spend the night in PACU. To protect the privacy of all patients, there are no routine visiting hours in the PACU. Visiting can be arranged on an individualized basis for patients with special needs or who are staying overnight in the PACU.

Admission or post procedure recovery

If you are being admitted to the hospital, your family may join you on the nursing unit once your nurse has checked you into your room and completed your assessment. This may take up to 45 minutes to complete. It is important that your healthcare provider know exactly what medications you are taking. Do not take any medications or supplements that you have brought from home while you are a patient in the hospital, unless your doctor has approved of the use.

- Patients are discharged only when their physicians determine they are medically ready.
- **Toll-Free Number for Incoming Calls** — For your convenience, family and friends can reach a patient room or other Akron General phone number by calling 1-800-221-4601.

Thank you for selecting Akron General. Our intent is to provide you with the best service and care possible.

Going home

If you are going home the same day, you will be taken to surgical discharge from PACU where you will stay for only a short while. If you wish, you may have something to drink and crackers to eat. You will be given home care instructions and any prescriptions that are ordered by your doctor. Your family will rejoin you as you prepare to go home. You must have a driver to take you home and someone with you for 24 hours following anesthesia. For your safety, you cannot leave the hospital alone, take a cab or a bus. You may not drive for 24 hours. You will be discharged to your car from the Main Entrance. If you have any medical concerns post-operatively, please call your surgeon listed on your discharge sheet. If you cannot reach your surgeon, you can call the Emergency Department at 330-344-6611. If you have a medical emergency, call 911 or go to the nearest Emergency Department.

Home care instructions

We care about your safety and comfort after surgery and urge you to follow these instructions regarding your recovery, unless otherwise instructed by your doctor.

- To control your pain, your doctor may give you a prescription for pain medication.
- You will not be able to drive after your surgery. If someone cannot accompany you, bring a phone number where we can reach someone who is immediately available, when called, to drive you home.
- Arrange for someone to stay with you for 24 hours after surgery. Your surgery may be canceled if no one is available to stay with you.
- Progress gradually from fluids to solid foods.
- Do not drink alcoholic beverages for at least 24 hours after surgery.
- Take deep breaths to keep your lungs clear.
- Move around according to your instructions.
- Do not drive or operate machinery for 24 hours after surgery or if taking narcotic pain medications.
- Do not make important decisions or sign any important documents within 24 hours after surgery.

A PACU RN may call you at home to ask how you are doing and to answer any questions you may have about caring for yourself at home.

If you have any questions, please refer to your instructions or call your doctor.

Additional instructions after your surgery and for home care

Coughing & deep breathing

Coughing and deep breathing will help prevent pneumonia, decrease pain, improve the oxygen in your blood and remove the anesthetic from your body. You will be asked to take three or four deep breaths followed by one deep cough, 10 times every hour. Deep breathing and coughing can be accomplished in a sitting or lying position.

- Breathe out normally.
- Clasp your hands over your abdomen.
- Breathe in until you feel your abdomen push out.
- Breathe out slowly.
- Rest a few seconds.
- Repeat three to four times then cough 1-2 times.
- Relax and breathe normally.
- Repeat technique 10 times every hour.

Activity

Movement and walking will decrease the chance of blood clots forming in your legs. You will be taught ankle pumps. When lying down, point your toes on both feet to your chin and stretch them out by pushing them away from your chin. Do this 10 times an hour. Flex your knees. Do not lie in one position. You may wake up with pumps on your feet or inflatable stockings on your legs. These help pump blood from your legs back to your heart.

Pain control

To help control your pain, your doctor may order medication for you. After surgery, we may not be able to stop all your pain, but we will help you to be as comfortable as possible so you can rest and sleep. Pain medications will help you cough, take deep breaths, exercise your ankles, and recover more quickly.

What method may be used to give you pain relief medicines?

- Medicines given by mouth are either in tablet or liquid form. Most pain medicine is taken by mouth, however these medicines cannot be used if you can take nothing by mouth or if you are nauseated or vomiting.
- Injections into muscle or skin are medicines given by shots.
- Injections given into a vein are medicines given through a small tube called an intravenous (IV) catheter. The tip of the tube stays in the vein. A Patient Controlled Analgesia pump (PCA) may be used. You will be taught how and when to use the pump.
- Injections given into the spinal fluid or into the epidural space through a catheter.

- Nerve blocks (regional anesthesia) make certain areas of the body (i.e. arms, legs, ankles) numb for several hours.
- Rectal suppositories are medicines that dissolve in the rectum and are absorbed by the body.
- Patches are medicines that are placed on a patch and then the patch is placed on the skin so the medicine can be absorbed into the body (transdermal patches).

There are several non-drug pain relief methods that are very effective:

Relaxation techniques

1. Get in a comfortable position.
2. Breathe in slowly while counting to three.
3. Breathe out slowly while counting to three.
4. Continue breathing in and out in same manner.

Imagery

1. Get in a comfortable position.
2. Imagine you are in a place you have found to be relaxing (i.e. beach, mountains).
3. Breathe in and out slowly while picturing this in your mind.

Music

1. Get in a comfortable position.
2. Listen to "easy listening" music or your favorite type of music with your eyes closed.

Massage and cold or hot packs.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

For Your Safety

Welcome

We want to make sure you have a safe and comfortable visit at Akron General. And we need your help. That's why we have developed this guide for patients and families.

Ask questions

There may be a number of people involved in your care. Feel free to ask questions about your care and to express your preferences and concerns.

Staff identification

All Akron General employees, volunteers and doctors wear name badges that identify their names and departments. If an employee, volunteer or doctor is not wearing a name badge, please ask him or her to put it on or ask for another staff person.

Patient identification

Do not let anyone give you medications, tests or procedures without checking your name and verifying your birth date. When specimens are obtained, make sure specimen containers are labeled with your name in your presence.

Describing symptoms

A physical examination evaluation and medical tests provide valuable information about your condition, but your description of symptoms is key in your diagnosis and treatment. When asked about your symptoms, try to identify when the symptoms started, what time of day they occur, how long they last, how often they occur, and if they are getting better or worse. The more details you can provide us, the better.

Education information

We have literature, videos, classes and Internet access to help you learn more. Akron General has a Community Health Library located in the main lobby of the hospital and one in our Health & Wellness Center - West.

Pain management

We want you to be as comfortable as possible. Although it may not be possible to eliminate all pain, there are methods to reduce pain to tolerable levels. Please let us know when you are having pain. You will be asked to rate your pain on a scale of 0-10, with 0 being no pain and 10 being severe pain. Reporting pain as a number helps the doctors and nurses know how well your treatment is working and whether changes should be made.

Medications

Your doctor, nurse and pharmacist have major roles in medication safety. They select the medication that's best for you, prescribe the correct dose, dispense the medication correctly and label it clearly. Each medication order is checked and double-checked by pharmacy and nursing staff. As a patient or family member, your role is to share the responsibility for safe medication use. You owe it to yourself and your family to learn as much as you can about the medications you are taking. This includes over the counter medications, herbs and vitamins.

- Keep a list of medications that you cannot take and the reasons why (e.g. allergic reactions) and provide this list to your healthcare providers. You may be asked by different people about allergies to medications because this is very important.
- Before any test or procedure, ask if it will require any dyes or medicines and remind your nurse and doctor if you have allergies.
- Tell the doctor, anesthesiologist and nurses if you have allergies to medications, latex, etc. Also tell them if you or a family member have ever had problems with anesthesia.

Medications at discharge

- Learn the name of each medication that is prescribed for you, why you are taking it, the dosage and the schedule of how you are to take it.
- Ask if you should avoid any foods, beverages, other medications or activities.
- Review your discharge instruction sheet and question anything that is unclear or confusing.
- Read the label, including warnings. Make sure it's the medication your doctor ordered.
- Request any written information available on the medication.
- Report any reactions, side effects or allergies to your health care provider.
- Keep a list of all medications you take and take them with you to your doctor.
- Make sure that each of your doctors is aware of medications that other doctors have prescribed for you.
- Question anything that does not seem right. Be alert to unexpected changes.
- If you are having problems with a medication, call your doctor.

Understanding your procedure

Make sure you understand what will happen if you are having a procedure. Research has shown that patients who are informed about their procedure can better work with their doctors to make the right decisions. Your doctor and you will have discussed the possible benefits and risks involved in the procedure you are about to have.

Checking the correct surgical site

There are multiple checks in place to confirm your surgical site to assure the correct procedure. If your procedure involves left or right side, your doctor will mark the correct site with a marking pen on the day of surgery. Help us out. Point out the correct side of your surgery.

After your procedure

You will be given medications during your surgery/procedure that may affect your ability to remember what happened. **Therefore, you may not recall that your doctor and anesthesiologist talked with you after your procedure.** Your family will be informed when your procedure is over. You may call your doctor or discuss the results at the first office visit.

Test results

Make sure you get the results of all tests and procedures. Ask the doctor or nurse when and how you will get the results. Don't assume the results are okay. If you do not hear anything, call the doctor and ask questions.

Security

We provide 24-hour security staff who make frequent rounds. Security staff is also available to escort visitors to their cars by calling extension 47604.

Our Patient Care Partnership

Understanding Expectations, Rights and Responsibilities

Patients have the right to:

- Receive information about their rights.
- Considerate and respectful care regardless of race, sex, national origin, religion, sexual orientation or source of payment.
- Be involved in care decisions.
- Receive necessary information from their physicians to give informed consent prior to the start of any procedure or treatment.
- Consent prior to recording or filming for purposes other than identification, diagnosis or treatment.
- Receive information about the persons responsible for their care.
- Refuse care within the law.
- Advance Directives concerning treatment permitted by law and within hospital policy to address end-of-life issues agreeable within the patient's plan of care.
- Be informed about outcomes of care or services that have been provided, including unanticipated outcomes.
- Effective communications including that of interpretive language services.
- Have their complaints addressed and receive resolution within a timely, reasonable and consistent manner.
- Confidentiality, privacy and security.
- Care rendered in a clean and safe environment that preserves dignity and a positive self-image.
- Be free from mental, physical, sexual and verbal abuse, neglect and exploitation.
- Pain management.
- Access protective and advocacy services.
- Consent to or decline to participate in research studies.
- Have the opportunity to work if over a 30-day hospital stay.
- Have their cultural, psychosocial, spiritual and personal values, beliefs and preferences respected.
- Be informed about, along with family as appropriate, the outcomes of care, treatment and services, including unanticipated outcomes.

Patients have the responsibility to:

- Provide information about past illness, hospitalizations, medications and other matters related to health status.
- Inform care providers whether or not explanations of diagnosis, treatment and care options have been understood.
- Follow the recommendations and advice prescribed by healthcare providers and to provide information about unexpected complications that arise.
- Accept the outcomes if they do not follow the care, service or treatment plan.

- Provide complete and accurate information about insurance and their abilities to meet any self-pay balances.
- Be considerate and to respect the rights and property of other patients, visitors and healthcare providers.

For a grievance, patients have the right to:

- Discuss their concerns with their attending physicians, registered nurses, or patient care advocate – if they believe their rights have been violated – by calling 330-344-6006.
- File a grievance with a state agency that has licensure responsible for hospitals. For the State of Ohio, the contact is the Ohio Department of Health at 1-800-342-0553, 1-614-664-7726, or TTY at 1-614-466-3543.

Advance Directives

You have the option of completing Advance Directives. Advance Directives are decisions you make about life-sustaining treatments. They include a Living Will and Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care. A Living Will allows you to indicate preference regarding withdrawal of life-sustaining treatment if you are terminal. Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care allows you to appoint someone to make health care decisions for you if you are not able. If you have chosen to have Advance Directives, please have your paperwork completed prior to your day of surgery. The day of surgery is not the appropriate time to complete an Advance Directives. Please complete in advance and bring a copy with you to be included in your medical record.

If you have questions about Advance Directives or need further assistance, please call 330-344-6880 or visit Akron General's Web site at www.akrongeneral.org to obtain more information.

Patient Satisfaction

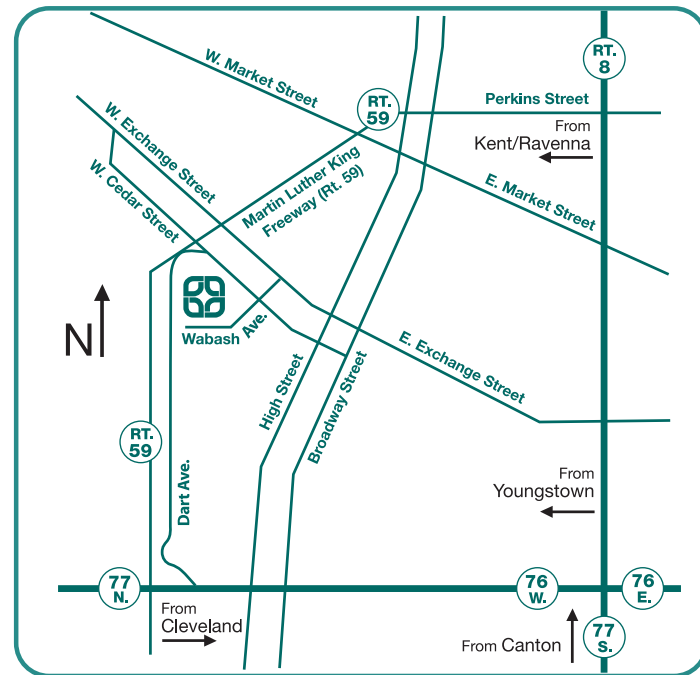
You may receive a customer service satisfaction survey. We ask that you take the time to complete and return. Your opinion is very important to us. We at Akron General Medical Center are striving for the highest score of 5 on all our survey questions and we appreciate your feedback.

Your Care Management

Akron General Medical Center is committed to providing quality healthcare services to patients during their stay — as well as assisting them with a plan for care after their discharge through our Care Management Department.

The Care Management Department coordinates care for patients in the hospital, at clinics and in the community. Your care manager will work together with your physician, nurse or other healthcare specialists to plan for your discharge from the hospital and the continuation of appropriate medical care.

Directions to Akron General



1. From Route 8 North – Exit Route 8 at Perkins Street.

Follow Route 59 West signs (Innerbelt). Stay in the far right lane, passing under the Route 59 South/West Exchange Street sign. Turn left onto Cedar Street and then right onto Wabash Avenue.

2. From West or North (Follow 76 East/77 South) –

Exit at Downtown/Route 59 East (Innerbelt). Follow to Cedar Street/Downtown. Turn right onto Cedar Street and then right onto Wabash Avenue.

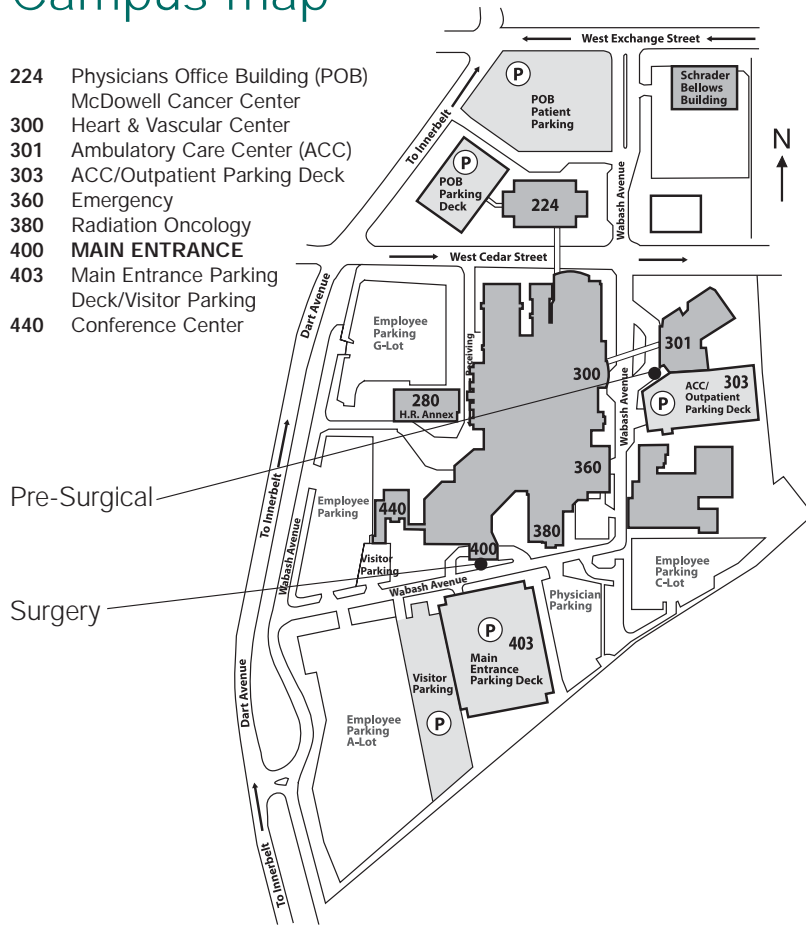
3. From South or East (Follow 76 West/77 North) – Exit Dart

Avenue/Route 59 (Innerbelt). Follow to Cedar Street/Downtown. Turn right onto Cedar Street and then right onto Wabash Avenue.

For more information, call Akron General's automated direction line at 330-344-2900.

Campus map

- 224 Physicians Office Building (POB)
McDowell Cancer Center
- 300 Heart & Vascular Center
- 301 Ambulatory Care Center (ACC)
- 303 ACC/Outpatient Parking Deck
- 360 Emergency
- 380 Radiation Oncology
- 400 **MAIN ENTRANCE**
- 403 Main Entrance Parking
Deck/Visitor Parking
- 440 Conference Center



Pre-Surgical Testing Department

1. Park in the ACC/Outpatient Parking Deck (adjacent to the glass building). **303**
2. Enter the Ambulatory Care Center (ACC) (glass building) from the parking deck. **301**
3. On the day of your Pre-Surgical Testing, please report to the information desk on the first floor of the Ambulatory Care Center (ACC).

Surgery Welcome Center

1. Park in the Visitor Parking Deck. **403**
2. Enter the hospital through the MAIN ENTRANCE. **400**
3. Check in at the Surgery Welcome Center near the blue elevators.

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Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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They are able to answer your
questions about insurance
coverage, Medicare and other
financial concerns.



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400 Wabash Avenue, Akron, OH 44307

330-344-6000



- Akron General Medical Center
400 Wabash Avenue Akron, Ohio 44307 Fax # 330-344-6725
- The Surgery Center at Akron General Health & Wellness
4125 Medina Rd. Suite 104 Akron, Ohio 44333 Fax # 330-665-8129

H&P not valid if completed > 30 days prior to date of service

Date: _____							
MORSE FALL RISK ASSESSMENT		Point Value	Score	MORSE FALL RISK ASSESSMENT		Point Value	Score
1. History of falling	no yes	0 25		4. IV Therapy/Saline lock	no yes	0 20	
2. Secondary Diagnosis	no yes	0 15		5. Gait	-normal/bedrest/wheelchair -weak -impaired	0 10 20	
3. Ambulatory aid	-none/bedrest/nurse assist -crutches/cane/walker -furniture	0 15 30		6. Mental Status	-oriented to own ability -overestimates/forgets/ unresponsive	0 15	

Total Score: _____ Score > 45 Fall Prevention Protocol implemented _____

This focused history and physical may be used for: any outpatient procedure or surgery, inpatient admission with a length of stay < 24 hours, or observation patient with a length of stay < 48 hours.

PHYSICIAN USE ONLY

History Present Illness/Chief Complaint: _____

Past Medical History: See Other Side

Surgical: _____

Medical: _____

Cardiac: _____

Respiratory: _____

Metabolic (Diabetes): _____

Other (HTN, Bleeding Disorders, etc.): _____

Current Medications: See Medication Reconciliation form _____

Allergies: See Other Side _____

Examination: T _____ P _____ R _____ BP _____ Pain Level (0-10) _____ Wt. _____ Ht. _____

<p>WNL Comments:</p> <p>Mental Status <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p>EENT <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p>Heart <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p>Lungs <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>	<p>WNL Comments:</p> <p>Abdomen <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p>Ortho. <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p>GYN/Urology <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p>Other <input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>
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Diagnosis: _____

Procedure: _____

Anesthesia requested: Local M. A. C. Mod Sed General Regional Block _____

Code Status: Full Code DNR-CCO DNR-CCA

Signature/credentials of person performing H&P: _____ Date/time: _____

Physician Signature: _____ Date/time: _____

If H&P done greater than 24 hours prior to date of service, complete section below.

No changes noted

Changes noted: see Progress Note or H&P

H&P reviewed by: _____ Date/time: _____

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PATIENT HEALTH HISTORY/PHYSICAL
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