

After your surgery.

Sedation will affect your judgement for approximately 24 hours post operatively. For your own safety and for legal reasons (i.e Your car insurance will not cover you if you have an accident within 24 hours of a sedation/general anaesthetic).

Please do not;

- Do not drive any type of car, bike or other vehicle and take extra care as a pedestrian.
- Do not operate machinery (chain saws, lawn mowers, whizzer snippers etc).
- Do not consume alcohol for 12 hours post operatively.
- Do not use cooking appliances or handle dangerous items like boiling water.
- Do not make critical financial decisions or sign a legal document.
- Do not do activities that require co-ordination or balance for 12 hours.
- Ensure you have a responsible adult to care for you for at least 24 hours post operatively.

Monitoring for infection

- If you have received an epidural or spinal anaesthetic it is important to monitor for any signs of infection such as pain at the injection site, fevers, weakness in the limbs. Please contact your Anaesthetist or discuss with your G.P if you are concerned.
- Please monitor the skin where your IV drip was inserted. If you notice any redness, swelling and/or pain please discuss with your Anaesthetist or G.P.