# What to Expect for Your Surgery

## **BEFORE & DURING YOUR PROCEDURE**



To help keep you calm and comfortable, you may be given medicine that makes you sleepy. This is called sedation or anesthesia. Possible side effects may include

Drowsiness • Weakness • Upset Stomach • Vomiting

For your safety, do not drive for at least 24 hours following sedation or anesthesia.

## AFTER YOUR PROCEDURE



#### **IF YOU HAVE PAIN**

• Apply ice packs • Change position • Try deep breathing

Only the doctor who performed your procedure can give you or change prescription pain medication.



### IF YOU HAVE BLEEDING

• Apply pressure with a clean rag or gauze for 10 minutes If it still bleeds after 10 minutes, call your doctor's office or go to the Emergency Room.



#### IF YOU HAVE AN INFECTION

Call your doctor if you have

- Fever of 101° F or higher
- Redness or swelling at the site of surgery
- Foul-smelling discharge at the site of surgery



## IF YOU HAVE NAUSEA (upset stomach)

- Apply a cold washcloth or towel to your forehead or neck
- Eat bland, unseasoned foods
- Smell essential oils like peppermint or ginger, or rubbing alcohol
- Do deep breathing, relax, or try to sleep

