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Dear Pat FName :

Your Optical Internal Urethrotomy is scheduled at:

on

The hospital/surgical center will notify you of your arrival time for your procedure. Your pre-surgical testing is scheduled for at your/the .

PREPARING FOR SURGERY: THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

1. You will be admitted to the hospital the day of your surgery. You will be discharged when you are fully awake, alert, and taking fluids by mouth. Usually it is about two hours after your surgery.
2. If you are on **Coumadin, Plavix, or Aspirin** for coronary stents, you **must consult your Cardiologist or Primary Care Physician** for management and proper discontinuation of drug prior to your surgery. If you are on **Aspirin or Aspirin Products** for preventative measures, or drugs for **Arthritis or Inflammation**, please discontinue one week before the procedure. If you are on **Herbal Supplements** (anything that is not prescribed by a physician), please discontinue one week before the procedure.
3. If you take blood pressure, thyroid, or seizure medication, **please follow the instructions given to you at your Pre-Operative appointment on how to take these the day of your procedure.**
4. No eating or drinking after midnight the night before your surgery except for blood pressure or other medications as mentioned above.
5. No alcohol 24 hours prior to surgery.
6. You will be receiving anesthesia for your procedure and will meet with an anesthesiologist prior to surgery. **You are unable to drive, drink alcohol or sign legal documents for 24 hours after receiving anesthesia.**

RECOVERING FROM SURGERY: WHAT TO EXPECT

1. You will awake from surgery with a catheter in your urethra, which drains urine

from your bladder. This allows your urinary tract to rest and recover. Your physician may elect to leave the catheter in place so you may be going home with it. The physicians and nurses will discuss all this with you during your hospital stay.

INSTRUCTIONS: POST OPTICAL INTERNAL URETHROTOMY

DIET:

1. It is okay to eat or drink whatever you want.
2. We encourage you to increase your fluid intake.

ACTIVITY:

1. It is okay to shower.
2. It is okay to climb stairs when discharged from the hospital.
3. Walking is good exercise, which improves circulation. Do not over do it! Go easy at first and slowly increase the distance, as you feel better.

DRIVING: You may drive the day after your surgery if you feel okay and are not taking any pain medication.

MEDICATIONS: Please refer to the surgery medication list provided.

FOLEY CATHETER: (Tube in urethra which drains your urine.) **You may be discharged with a foley catheter. If you are,** It is normal to feel some pressure and discomfort from the catheter. You may also experience some leaking around the catheter and blood in your urine; this is normal. Always make sure that the tubes are not kinked so the urine can flow freely. If the catheter is not draining well or if leakage is excessive around the cath, please call the office at **(585)232-2980**.

FOLLOW-UP: Your follow up appointment is scheduled for N DShort at N Time in our N Loc Name office.

Please note: You need to report to the office 10 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment time.

If you have any concerns, please call us at (585)232-2980