



Visiting Day Surgery



Torbay Hospital

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This is Day Surgery at Torbay Hospital.

Jane has come to have an operation.



Jane goes to the reception desk to let them know she is there for her appointment.



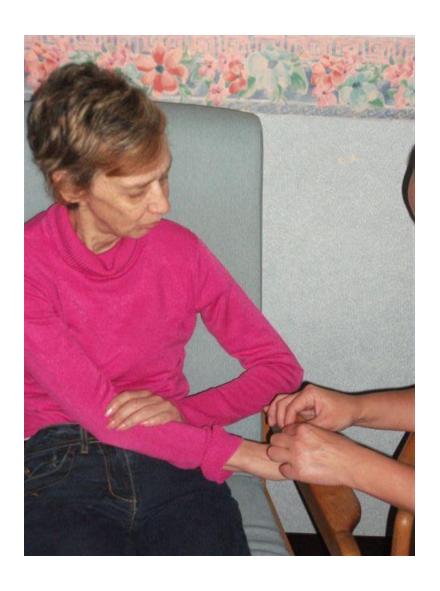
Jane tells the receptionist her name and shows her the appointment letter.

Jane is asked to wait in the waiting room.

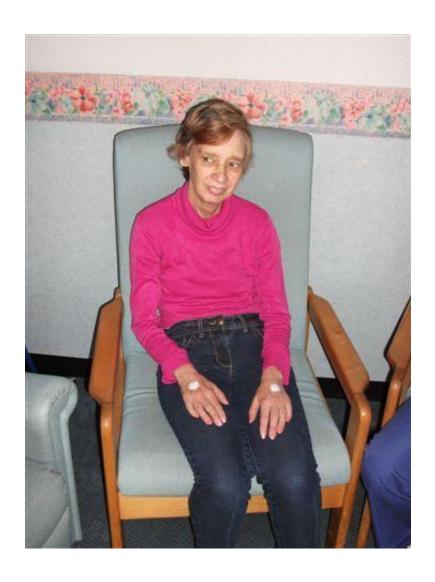


Jane sits in the discharge room.

The nurse comes to see Jane.



If Jane wants to, the nurse can put special cream, called Ametop, on the back of her hand.



The cream numbs her skin so, if she needs an injection later, it will not hurt.

The nurse puts a clear plaster over the cream.

The cream takes 30-45 minutes to work.

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The nurse checks Jane's details and puts a band around her wrist. The band has her name and date of birth on it.



Jane changes into a hospital gown and lies down on a bed in the anaesthetic room.

The nurse wipes the cream off Jane's hands.



Jane can have gas or an injection to send her to sleep. If Jane has gas, the nurse will give her an injection when she is asleep.

Jane will not feel this as she is in a deep sleep.



If Jane does not want to put on a gown, she may be able to stay in her clothes.

Jane is falling asleep



After her operation, Jane wakes up in the recovery room.

Jane did not feel anything during her operation as she was in a deep sleep.

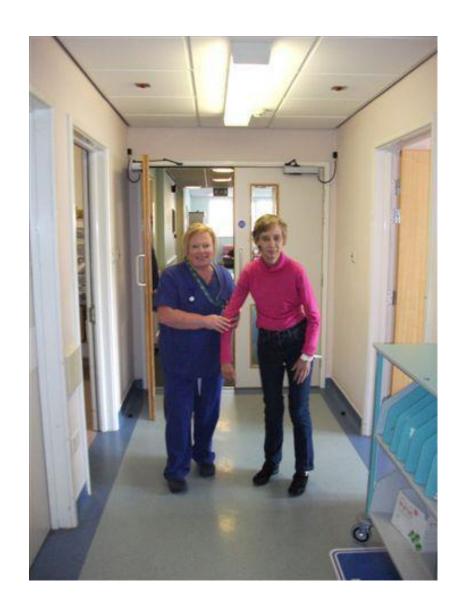
Jane may feel tired and sleepy.



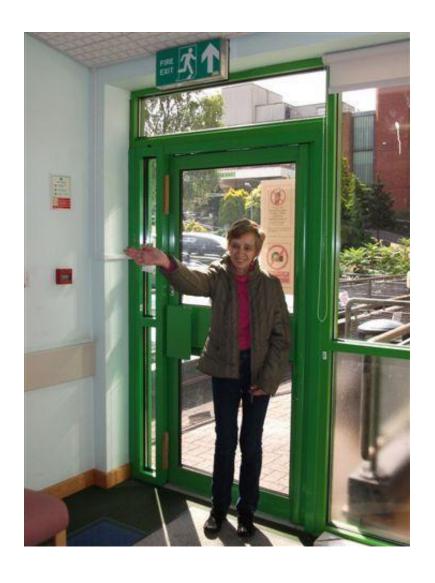
When Jane feels well enough, she can have something to eat and drink.



The doctor comes to see Jane and checks she is well enough to go home.



When Jane is well enough, she goes back to the waiting room ready to go home.



Jane says goodbye to everyone at Day Surgery.

Jane goes home the same day as usually people do not have to stay overnight.

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