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BEFORE SCHEDULING YOUR SURGERY:

Please be sure to make arrangements so that on the day of your discharge from surgery you have someone available to drive you home and accompany you into your home until you are settled. If you must use a taxi service, you still must have someone to accompany you home; the driver cannot be your escort. You will not be discharged from the facility without these proper arrangements.

Before we are able to schedule your surgery, there is some important information you need to know:

1. Please provide us with the time frame and any conflicts regarding your surgery date because **once you are given your surgery date, it cannot be changed unless there is a family or medical emergency.**
2. Pre-admission testing is a part of the process of scheduling. Please take into account that we will schedule that appointment one to two weeks prior to your O.R. date.
3. If you are taking any kind of blood thinner (e.g. aspirin, Coumadin, Plavix, etc.), you may need to discontinue it prior to surgery. **Please make sure our office is aware of all of your current medications.**
4. If you are having a Cystoscopy, remember not to take any vitamins in the 24 hours prior to the procedure.
5. If you are having a Vasectomy, remember to bring a supporter with you to the surgery.
6. A letter of medical clearance from your primary care physician/cardiologist is sometimes requested prior to your surgery. We will make you aware of this if needed. **It is your responsibility to coordinate this with your doctor.** We will follow up on this letter as your surgery date gets closer.
7. Remember, eating or drinking prior to your surgery could cause serious complications under anesthesia. **DO NOT** eat or drink anything after midnight, unless given specific instructions by an anesthesiologist. If in doubt, call the Department of Anesthesia at 609-430-7174.
8. Be sure to check with your insurance company in advance of your surgery so that you are aware of your coverage. Please note that you may be billed separately for anesthesia. Please call the surgical facility to ensure you are aware of any additional charges that may apply. Surgical Specialists at Princeton: 609-799-1130, University Medical Center of Princeton at Plainsboro: 609-853-7000.
9. State regulations mandate a history and physical (H&P) documentation within thirty (30) days of your surgery. If your visit is more than thirty days prior to your surgery, you will be required to return to the office for an updated H&P.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.