

## Why do I require a driver after a procedure?

Across St. Joseph's, safety is a priority as part of our vision to earn complete confidence in the care we provide. Your safety is important to us, not only during your stay or visit but also prior to and after any procedure. To help ensure your safety, you will receive pre-procedure instructions and post procedure instructions for the majority of procedures you have done at St. Joseph's Hospital.

It is important for your well-being that you follow these instructions. While you may feel fine immediately after a procedure everyone reacts differently to medications and treatments. For some procedures, it's important you have someone with you who will ensure you arrive home safely after your procedure. For such procedures, you will receive instructions indicating that you are required to have a driver. Your procedure may be canceled if you do not have someone with you. The purpose of this requirement is to ensure your safe arrival home and, if a complication should occur after you have left our care, that you have someone who can assist you.

If you have any questions about this requirement please contact Patient Relations at 519 646-6100 ext. 61234.