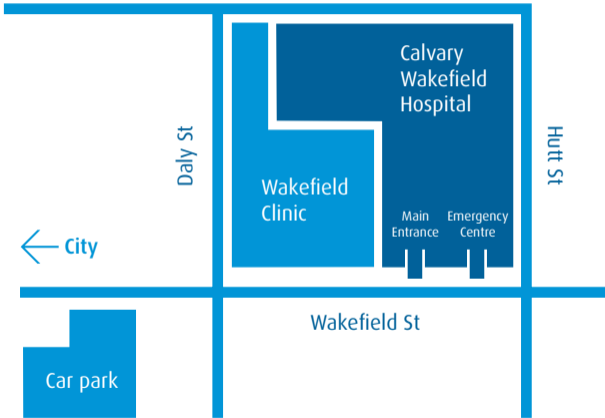


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Welcome

Thank you for choosing Calvary Wakefield Hospital for your Day Surgery care. Calvary Wakefield Hospital offers a comprehensive range of services and facilities. In recognition of our commitment to excellence in patient care and service, Calvary Wakefield Hospital is fully accredited by the Australian Council on Healthcare Standards.

This booklet assists you in preparing for your day surgery. Please read it carefully as it includes essential information, helpful advice and answers to frequently asked questions.

About Little Company of Mary Health Care

Calvary Wakefield Hospital is a Catholic private hospital committed to providing quality responsive and compassionate health care to the people of South Australia. Calvary Wakefield Hospital is part of the Little Company of Mary Health Care, a national Catholic health and aged care provider which is a service of the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary.

Introduction

The Day Surgery Unit at Calvary Wakefield Hospital is situated on the first floor of the Calvary Wakefield Hospital.

It operates as a discreet unit and is a popular alternative for people undergoing procedures which do not require an overnight stay in hospital. The Day Surgery Unit is an ideal venue for the elderly, people with busy lifestyles and particularly young children where a parent is encouraged to be present.

The Unit has been designed and decorated to create a relaxed, less clinical atmosphere and most patients can usually be discharged two hours after the procedure is performed.

Our aim is to make your stay as comfortable as possible. If you would like to visit the unit beforehand to become familiar with the surroundings or have any queries regarding your admission please telephone us on 8405 3438 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday.



Admission

Your doctor will give you the date and time for admission upon making a booking with the Day Surgery Unit. If there is a change in your admission time we will contact you the day before your surgery to advise you.

On arrival to the hospital you will be admitted at the main reception area on the ground floor. You will then be transferred to a waiting area on the first floor prior to your admission to the Day Surgery Unit. A relative or companion may accompany you to this area only. The Day Surgery Unit staff will collect you from this area to undertake your Day Surgery admission. Your relative/ companion may then wait in the waiting area on the ground floor.

Children under the age of 16 years may be accompanied by their parent or guardian into the Day Surgery Unit as required.

Discharge

Patients are usually discharged within two hours after the procedure is performed.

- You must not drive yourself home or travel alone on public transport.
- For safety reasons we recommend that you must be accompanied home by a responsible adult in either a car or taxi. There must be someone at home to care for you.

What to Bring to Hospital

- Any medication you may be taking
- Details of your health benefits membership, pharmaceutical record, pension or Veterans Affairs card, x-rays.
- Notes, letters, reports or consent from your doctor
- Comfortable clothes
- Ladies please wear low heeled shoes, minimal make-up and no nail polish

Please do not bring anything of value with you such as money, mobile phones or jewellery. The hospital accepts no responsibility for lost or stolen items.

Fasting

- You should have nothing to eat or drink for 6 hours before the procedure unless otherwise directed by your doctor.
- Please do not chew gum or suck lozenges whilst fasting.
- Once you are fully awake and your condition is satisfactory you may commence eating and drinking at the discretion of the nursing staff.

Smoking

We strongly advise you not to smoke for at least 24 hours before surgery. If you develop a cold or illness prior to admission please notify your doctor for advice.

Alcohol

It is inadvisable to drink any alcohol for at least 24 hours following an anaesthetic as it may adversely interact with the anaesthetic drugs.

Account Information

- Your hospital account includes theatre fees and a facility fee charge both of which are recoverable through your health fund.
- Calvary Wakefield Hospital is a private hospital, therefore patients with private health insurance or the capacity to pay are our major customers.