

Radical Prostatectomy

Name:			Unit No:
Date of Admission:	Ward:	Consultant:	

Your pathway of care is quite complex when having surgery to remove your prostate gland. We would like you to be as involved as you wish in the process and take responsibility in ensuring you receive the best possible communication. Details and expectations of your operation, hospital stay, supporting services and expected outpatient appointments should all be available to you.

We have set out the steps which we anticipate should be taken to ensure you receive all appropriate opportunities for advice, consultations and support. Please feel free to use this document in whatever way best suits you and ask about any of the aspects described.

Patient Preparation	Tick/Date
<p>Admission for your catheter removal.</p> <p>You should expect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To have your catheter removed and receive on-going advice regarding continence management To be given your follow up outpatient appointment (6 weeks following your operation) To be asked to have your blood checked for PSA the week before your outpatient appointment. The form will be supplied by the ward 	
<p>MDT</p> <p>Your case will be discussed at the urology multidisciplinary meeting prior to your follow up appointment</p>	
<p>Outpatient appointment</p> <p>This appointment is to check how well you are recovering and to explain your pathology results. You will be advised of your on-going follow up appointments including a referral to erectile dysfunction clinic at your request.</p> <p>Please ask any questions</p>	

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<p>MDT</p> <p>Your case is discussed by a multidisciplinary urology team. The outcome will be explained to you.</p>	
<p>Outpatient Appointment</p> <p>Your appointment will involve a full explanation of the details of your diagnosis, options of treatment, surgical details and adverse effects including incontinence and erection problems.</p> <p>Please take this opportunity to ask questions</p> <p>Referral to Urology Clinical Nurse Specialist My Clinical Nurse Specialist is</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Offered written information on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laparoscopic Radical Prostatectomy • Pelvic Floor exercises <p>Referred to Community Continence Service</p>	
<p>Date for Operation</p>	

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<p>Pre assessment Appointment</p>	
<p>Ward Admission.</p> <p>You should expect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To meet the Nurses and Doctors looking after you. • Be offered verbal and written information regarding your hospital stay and discharge details • To be prepared for surgery including bowel preparation • Receive all on-going care, advice and support to aid your recovery <p>Please ask any outstanding questions you have</p>	
<p>Discharge Planning.</p> <p>You should expect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be advised of an expected day to be discharged home • To receive an explanation on discharge advice • Be referred to the District Nursing Service and be provided with a copy of the referral letter • The Community continence team to be advised of your discharge date • To receive a Chartered Health Care continence pack to take home with you • To be given a date for readmission for your catheter removal 	