

My stay in hospital for an operation

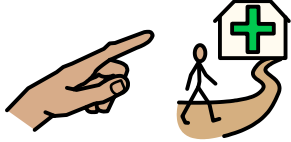
Child

Name: _____

Date: _____



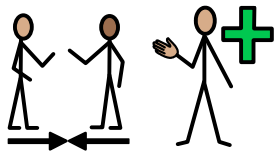
Checking in



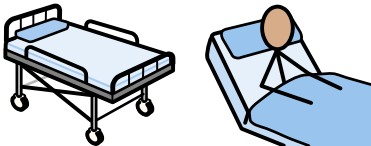
I will go to the hospital.



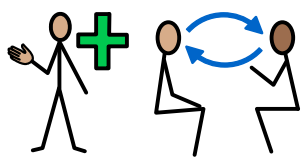
I will tell the receptionist when I arrive.



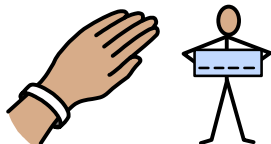
I will meet a nurse.



I will be given a bed to lie on.



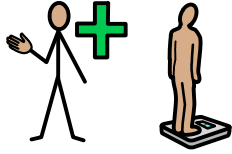
The nurse will talk to me and my family.



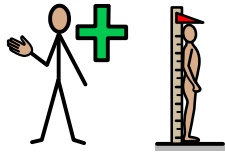
I will get a band on my wrist with my name on it.



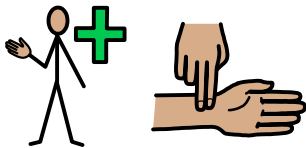
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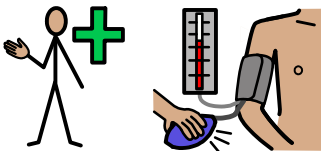
The nurse will weigh me on the scales.



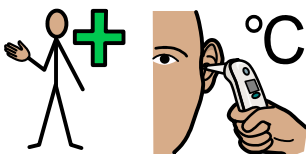
The nurse will check how tall I am.



The nurse will check my pulse.



The nurse will check my blood pressure.



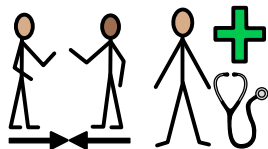
The nurse will check my temperature.



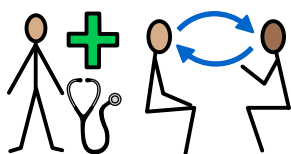
The nurse may put some numbing cream on my hands and arms.



Meeting the doctor



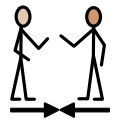
I will meet a doctor.



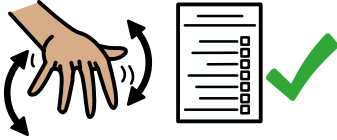
The doctor will talk to me and my family.



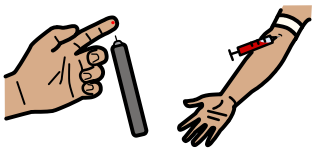
The doctor will examine me.



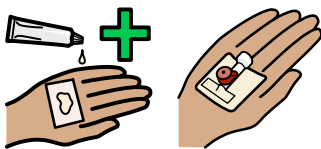
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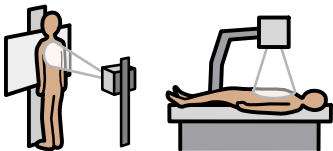
I may need some other tests.
These might be:



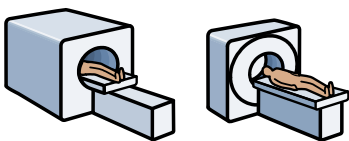
I may have a blood test.



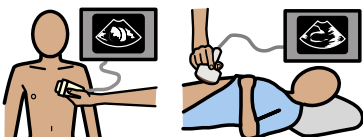
I may have a tiny tube put in
my hand.



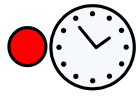
I may have an xray.



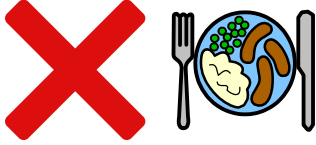
I may have an MRI or a CT scan.



I may have an ultrasound scan.



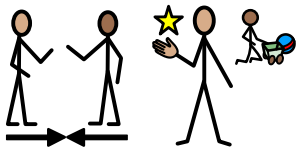
Before my operation



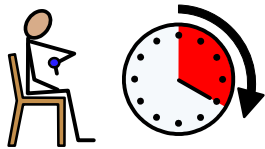
I must not have any food before my operation.



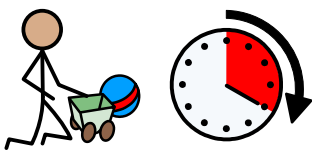
I can have a drink of water.



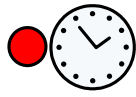
I may meet a play specialist.



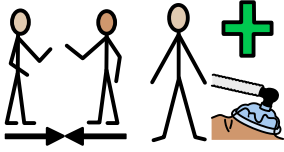
I may have to wait for a while.



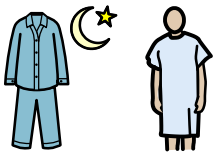
I can play while I am waiting.



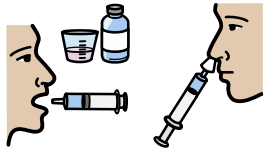
Before my operation



I will meet an anaesthetist who will tell me about having an anaesthetic.



The nurse may ask me to put on my pyjamas or a hospital gown.



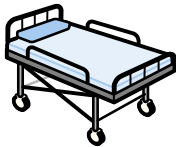
The nurse may give me some medicine to drink or as a spray in my nose.



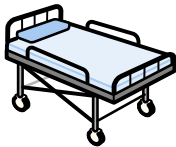
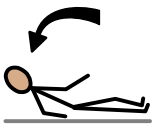
Having the anaesthetic



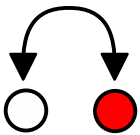
I will go to the anaesthetic room.



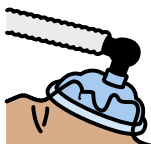
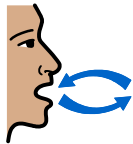
I may ride to the anaesthetic room on a trolley.



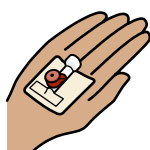
I will lie down on the trolley.



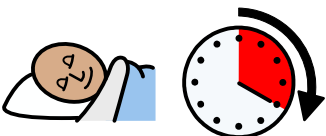
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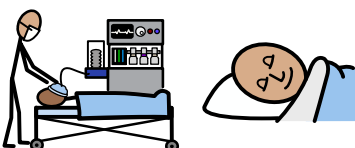
The anaesthetist will ask me to breathe sleepy air from a mask.



Medicines will be put into a tiny tube in my hand.



I will go to sleep for a while.



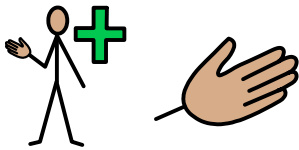
The anaesthetist will look after me while I am asleep.



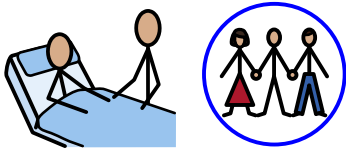
After the operation



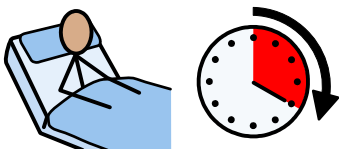
I will wake up after my operation.



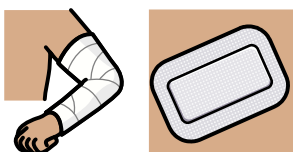
A nurse will look after me.



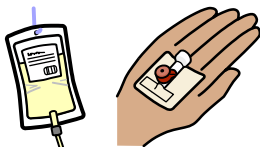
I can see my family.



I may have to rest for a while.



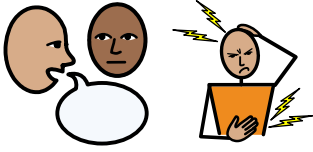
I may have a bandage or dressing where the operation was done.



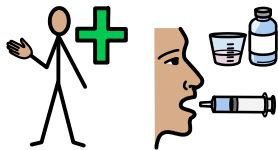
I may need a fluid drip into the tiny tube in my hand.



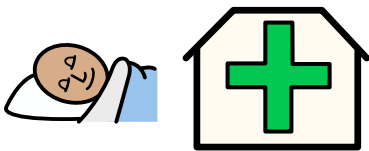
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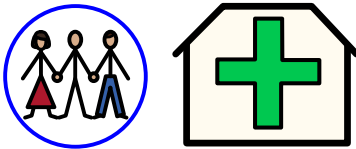
I will tell my family and the nurse if I feel sore or sick.



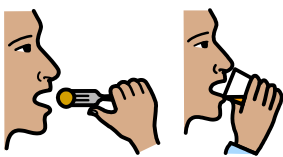
The nurse will give me medicine if I feel sore or sick.



I may have to sleep at the hospital until I am better.



My family can stay with me at the hospital.



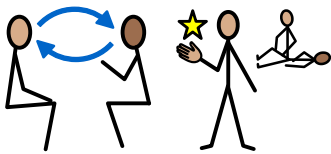
I can have something to eat or drink when I am feeling better.



After the operation



The nurse may wish to check my bandage or dressing.



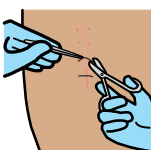
I may meet a physiotherapist who may give me exercises to do.



The doctors and nurses will tell me when it is time to go home.



I may need to take medicine at home.



A nurse may need to take out my stitches.