

Telephonic Interview Instructions

Goal: To provide a convenient pre-admit process for the surgical patient.

Overview: With the new streamlined processes, many patients can register and interview for their upcoming surgical procedure over the phone, an onsite visit may not be required.

Certain medical histories, (previous coronary artery bypass graft, angioplasty with stent placement, congestive heart failure, pacemakers, defibrillators, myocardial infarction, unexplained chest pain, uncontrolled hypertension, diabetes and some other conditions) can require the patient anesthesia interview to be done in person. When an anesthesia interview and preoperative labs are required, your patient will be given an appointment at the Pre Surgical Evaluation Center.

All patients are candidates for a "Telephonic Evaluation". When you schedule your patient for surgery simply tell the schedulers the patient is "Telephonic". The surgery scheduling number is (504) 454-4164, prompt #2. Please make sure you provide a current contact number for your patient to the schedulers.

All pre op orders should be entered electronically before the pre-operative visit at the Pre Surgical Evaluation Center. We will order the labs for your patient if you simply check "Pre-op labs per Anesthesia".

All telephonic patients will receive showering guidelines and mupirocin administration instructions when applicable.

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