

Intravenous sedation



What is intravenous sedation?

Intravenous sedation helps you feel comfortable and relaxed during surgery. It is commonly used during eye surgery in combination with local anaesthesia.

Specific discharge advice

Although you may feel awake and alert now, traces of drugs remain in your system and may have subtle effects for up to 24 hours. Because of this, we advise you to remain in the company of a responsible adult overnight.

We advise you to only take simple pain-killers such as paracetamol and the usual medications prescribed for you by your doctor.

For the next 24 hours we also advise you **not** to:

- Drive a vehicle or operate power tools or machinery
- Sign any legal documents
- Drink alcohol or take sedatives

What if I have concerns or questions when I get home?

If you have concerns or questions please

- visit your local GP or
- contact the hospital Emergency Department which is open 24/7, phone 9929 8333

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