

Leaving Hospital:



Ask someone to take you home.



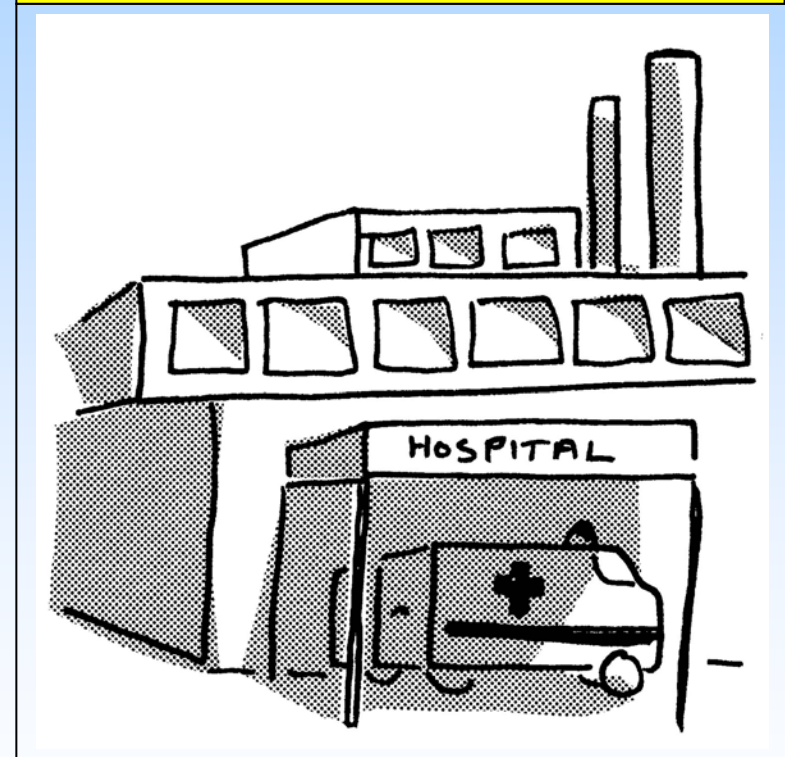
Ask them to bring you some clothes.



Make sure you know which medicines to take.

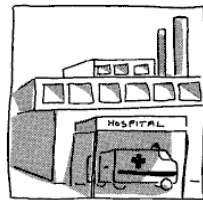
Patient information for the Gloucestershire Health Community

GOING INTO HOSPITAL



EASY READ
INFORMATION LEAFLET

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PALS

PALS (Patient Advice and Liaison Service) provide information and support about your hospital visit and help you if you have any concerns.



Ring PALS at:

PALS Gloucestershire Royal Hospital /
PALS Cheltenham General Hospital

Telephone: 08454 226831 - 9am - 5pm

Telephone: 0800 953 1367 - Any other time

e-mail: pals.gloucestershirehospitals.glos.nhs.uk

PALS Community

Freephone: 0800 0151 548

e-mail: communitypals@glos.nhs.uk

Their website is: www.palsglos.org.uk

You can:



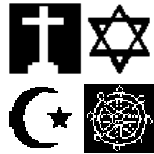
Listen to
the radio



Have
visitors



Watch
television



See a
chaplain



Use a
telephone



Choose
your own
food

Dear Patient,



This booklet tells you about
what you need to do and
what you need to bring to
hospital.



If you have any questions
please ring the Health
Facilitation Team on:
Freephone **0800 019 3346**.



The admission letter tells you the date and time to go to hospital.

You will have:



A bed and a locker

Date	
Time	
Ward	<input type="text"/>



If you cannot come or if you have any questions please ring the number on the letter.



You can call a nurse.

Consent:



If you are having an operation the doctor will ask you to sign a consent form.

1. Make sure you know what is going to happen.
2. Ask questions.
3. If you understand and agree, sign the form.




Remember that no-one else can sign the consent form if you are over 18 years old.

If you find it hard to say yes or no or do not understand difficult information a **best interest form** called a DOH Form 4 should be used.

Ask the nurse for **more information**.


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Fill in the Red, Amber, Green Hospital Assessment **before** you go into hospital.

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Health Community

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RED AMBER GREEN

 **HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT**

This assessment gives hospital staff important information about you.

Please take it with you if you have to go into hospital. Ask the hospital staff to hang it on the end of your bed.

Hospital staff to inform the Hospital Liaison Nurses.

Please note: **Value judgements** about quality of life including decisions on resuscitation must be made in consultation with you, your family, carers and other professionals. This is necessary to comply with the Mental Capacity Act 2005.

Make sure that all the staff who look after you read this assessment.

It gives hospital staff important information **about you**.

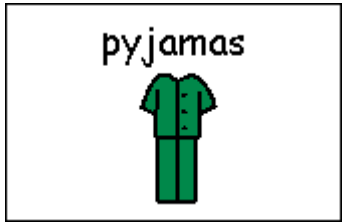


You can get the forms from the Health Facilitation Team:
Freephone **0800 019 3346**.

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Please bring:



or



or



or



How to get to hospital:



Ask a friend or carer to bring you to hospital.



There is a car park - remember to bring some money.

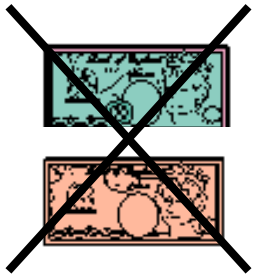


There is a map on the back of this leaflet to show you the car parks and the hospital.

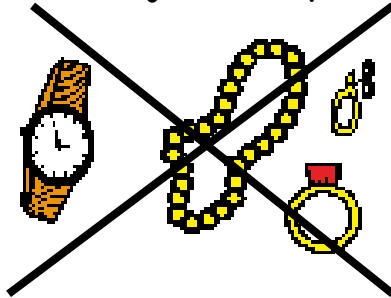


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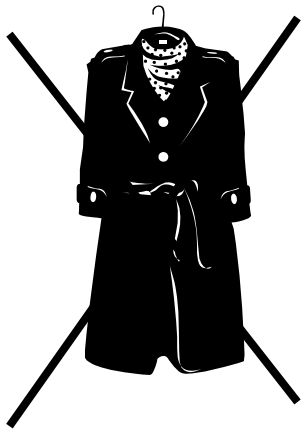
No paper money



No jewellery



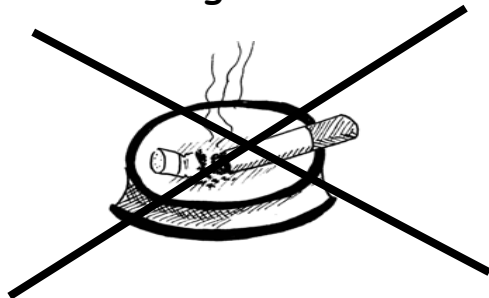
No coats



No alcohol



No cigarettes



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Please bring:

soft shoes



or

soft shoes



soap



flannel



toothbrush



toothpaste



shampoo



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Please bring:

shaving kit

2 towels

hairbrush

comb

tissues

wet wipes

walking aids

medicines



Please bring:

Money for phone

glasses

dentures

hearing aid

book

magazine

and

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Health Facilitation Team
Learning Disability Services
Ambrose House
Units 4 & 5
Meteor Court
Barnett Way
Barnwood
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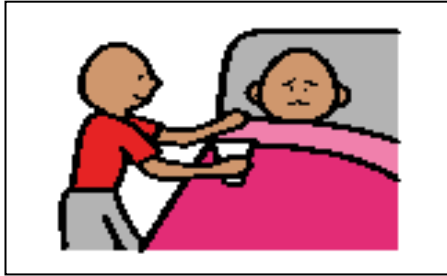
Make sure you know
the time and date of
your follow-up
appointment.



Take all your
things home
with you.



Make sure there is someone at home to look after you.



If you need any help at home please tell the ward staff.

