

# Having a Pre-operation assessment





If you are going into hospital for an operation, you may have to come a few days or weeks before your operation to the hospital for some checks.



You can bring someone with you.

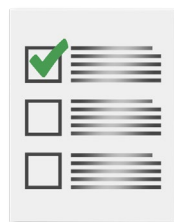


Remember to bring your appointment letter.

Please go to the reception desk at the Pre-assessment unit.



You will be asked to wait in the waiting room.



The nurse will call you into the room.

You will be asked questions about your health.



The nurse will check your blood pressure.

This is done by putting a band on your arm.



The nurse will weigh you and check how tall you are.



You may need to have a blood test.



The nurse will use a thing like a long cotton bud to wipe the inside of your nose and mouth.

This is called a **MRSA screen**.



You might be asked for a (wee)urine sample.



You may need to have an X-ray



You might need a test called an ECG.

This shows how your heart is working.

When the nurses have:

- all of the information about you that they need
- all the tests have been done

You will be able to go home.



If all of your tests are okay, the operation will happen.

You will receive a letter with the date of the operation.

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