



ADMISSION PROCESS & INFORMATION

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ADMISSION PROCEDURE

You and Dr. Burger will first discuss your diagnosis, the indication for considering surgery, the surgery itself, possible complications, and expected recovery before surgery can be scheduled. You are also encouraged to use this website to further your understanding of your condition and treatment. Occasionally Dr. Burger might also refer you to another specialist before your admission; this is most often needed if you require a physician to evaluate your medical risk factors.

Once you've given informed consent and requested Dr. Burger to schedule your surgery; our accounts department will:

1. Confirm your date of surgery.
2. Obtain authorization from your medical aid for admission and surgery.
3. Provide you with the authorization number a day or two before the date of surgery.

Patient Responsibilities:

1. Please visit our hospital's "Pre-admission Clinic" a few days before your admission to complete their documentation.
2. Carefully read all the information leaflets provided on your anesthesia and surgery. Useful information will be available under the "CONDITION LINK" on this website. Also, take care to again read your informed consent document.
3. Please familiarize yourself with the surgery estimation provided.
4. Should you have any queries or uncertainties, please do not hesitate to contact our rooms, or Dr. Burger directly.

SURGERY ESTIMATE

All patients will receive an estimated according to Dr. Burger's rates. Since medical schemes provide benefits to patients according to package options selected by the patient, the benefit paid by your scheme may differ from the professional fees charged by Dr. Burger. Our accounts department will claim the procedure from your Medical Aid. Should your medical aid not pay the full account, you will be responsible for the difference. This expected shortfall amount will be indicated on your estimate. Please remember to inform our accounts department if you do have GAP Cover; this can be used towards any shortfall. You are also welcome to discuss discounts and payment arrangements with our Account Department.

Your quotation is inclusive of:

- Dr. Burger's surgical fee.
- VAT
- Four-week long postoperative care.

Your quotation excludes:

- Other specialist fees e.g. anesthetist, physician, surgeon, and physiotherapist.
- Hospital fees.
- Orthotics e.g. brace or TED stocking.
- Any further surgery should a complication occur post-operatively.
- Laboratory investigations.
- Radiology investigations.
- Implants used during surgery.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

1. You are not allowed to eat or drink anything from 00h00 the night before your admission date.
2. Please ensure that you are in the ward at 06h00 on the morning of your admission date for the anesthetist to evaluate you before surgery.
3. Please bring along:
 - a. All radiology investigations (e.g. MRI and XR's) on the day of your admission.
 - b. The completed and signed "Anaesthetic Consent Form" (green form); if this was not done at Pre-admission Clinic
4. Ensure that you have your medical aid authorization number with you.

(Surgery reports are available on request.)

FINALE

Knowing that all administrative work has been completed and you can now focus only on the surgery, we wish you all the best.

Take good care of yourself during this period of preparation for your surgery – physically and emotionally.

As we are aware of our limitations, we entrust you, your surgery, and all personnel involved in God's hand, praying that He will provide and bless this procedure.

Kind regards,

Schalk & Magrieta Burger

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