



A BOOK FOR KIDS HAVING PROCEDURES AT MILLS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

THIS IS A BOOK TO HELP SHOW YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ALL OF THE STEPS YOU NEED TO TAKE WHEN YOU ARE GETTING READY FOR AN OPERATION AT MILLS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

THIS STORY FEATURES A MOTHER AND DAUGHTER.

YOUR STORY MAY BE A LITTLE DIFFERENT.

MAYBE YOU ARE WITH YOUR DAD OR GRANDPARENT OR AUNTY OR CAREGIVER, BUT THE STEPS ARE BASICALLY THE SAME.

REMEMBER, WHEN KIDS HAVE OPERATIONS AT THE HOSPITAL THEY ARE NEVER ALONE.

FOLLOW ALONG AND SEE ALL THE PEOPLE AND PLACES YOU'LL VISIT ON THE DAY YOU HAVE YOUR OPERATION.



TODAY, I AM AT THE HOSPITAL FOR MY OPERATION.



FIRST, I WAIT IN LINE WITH MY MOM AT THE RECEPTION.

MY MOM ANSWERS QUESTION FROM THE CLERK AND SIGNS ME IN.



IF YOU DON'T ALREADY HAVE A MASK, THE CLERK WILL PASS YOU SOME TO WEAR.





NEXT, MY MOM AND I SANITIZE OUR HANDS TOGETHER.





I PRESS THE UP BUTTON FOR THE ELEVATOR.



WE GO UP TO THE SECOND FLOOR.



WE FOLLOW THE BLUE SIGNS TO DAYCARE SURGERY.

WE FOUND IT!
WE WAIT HERE FOR A NURSE TO APPEAR.





WE MEET OUR FIRST NURSE. SHE INVITES US IN TO A ROOM WHERE SHE GIVES ME A SPECIAL BRACELET. IT HAS MY NAME ON IT!





**THE NURSE PUTS SOME
NUMBING CREAM ON MY
HAND AND IT FEELS COLD!
NEXT SHE PUTS A CLEAR
BANDAID ON IT SO THAT I
CAN SEE HOW SQUISHY IT
IS.**



THE NURSE TAKES MY TEMPERATURE WITH FANCY FOREHEAD SWIPER.



SHE CHECKS TO SEE THAT I HAVE LOTS OF OXYGEN IN MY BLOOD SO THAT WE KNOW MY LUNGS ARE WORKING GREAT!

THE NURSE TAKES MY BLOOD PRESSURE AND IT FEEL LIKE SHE IS TESTING MY MUSCLES.



SHE EVEN CHECKS TO SEE HOW MUCH I WEIGH.



MY MOM HELPS ME GET CHANGED INTO TWO HOSPITAL GOWNS. ONE GOES ON FRONTWARDS AND THE OTHER BACKWARDS.

THE NURSE HELPS ME WITH A CAP AND SLIPPERS.





I AM READY TO GO!

NEXT WE MEET MY PORTER. A PORTER HELPS YOU GET FROM ONE PLACE TO ANOTHER!



REMEMBER THAT UNDER EVERY MASK IS A SMILE!



*MY PORTER HELPS ME GET INTO THIS LITTLE RED CAR AND
I DRIVE IT DOWN TO THE OPERATING ROOM.*

MY MOM COMES WITH ME AND THE PORTER!





ONCE I GET TO THE OPERATING ROOM, MY PORTER HELPS ME GET COMFORTABLE ON THE STRETCHER WITH A WARM BLANKET.



NEXT I GET TO MEET THE MEMBERS OF MY OPERATING TEAM.

THIS IS MY ANESTHETIST.

SHE IS THE DOCTOR WHO WILL PUT ME TO SLEEP AND WAKE ME UP FROM MY OPERATION. WE HAVE A NICE CHAT AND SHE LISTENS TO MY HEART.





THIS IS MY SURGEON.

WE HAVE A LITTLE CHAT AND HE CHECKS MY BRACELET TO MAKE SURE HE CAN SAY MY NAME RIGHT!



WE HAVE A TEAM MEETING.





*IT'S TIME FOR MY OPERATION.
MY MOM KISSES ME GOODBYE.
THEN MY OPERATING TEAM TAKES ME TO
THE OPERATING ROOM.*





THIS IS THE OPERATING ROOM.

MY ANESTHETIST IS HOLDING AN OXYGEN MASKS.

I THINK IT LOOKS LIKE THE KIND OF MASK YOU WOULD WEAR IN OUTER SPACE.



MY OPERATION IS FINISHED!

WHEN I AM AWAKE ENOUGH,
MY MOM GETS TO COME IN.



IT TAKES A LITTLE WHILE FOR ME TO WAKE ALL THE WAY.





WE GO BACK UPSTAIRS AND I GET TO CHOOSE A POPSICLE.

MY MOM HELPS ME GET BACK INTO MY OWN CLOTHS.



*THE NURSE SNIPS OFF MY
BRACELET AND I AM
READY TO GO!*





MY MOM AND I SAY GOODBYE TO OUR NURSES.

WE ARE HEADING HOME!



***THANKS FOR READING MY STORY.
I HOPE YOUR OPERATION GOES AS WELL AS
MINE AND THAT THIS BOOK HELPS YOU KNOW
WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU HAVE YOUR
OPERATION.***



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