

If you are concerned, please contact your local hospital:

**Balmain Hospital**

29 Booth Street  
Balmain NSW 2041  
Ph: 9395 2111

**Bowral Hospital**

97-103 Bowral Street  
Bowral NSW 2576  
Ph: 4861 0200

**Canterbury Hospital**

575 Canterbury Road  
Campsie NSW 2194  
Ph: 9787 0000

**Fairfield Hospital**

Cnr Prairievile Rd and Polding St  
Prairiewood NSW 2176  
Ph: 9616 8111

**Prince of Wales Hospital**

Barker Street  
Randwick NSW 2031  
Ph: 9382 2222

**St George Hospital**

Gray Street  
Kogarah NSW 2217  
Ph: 9113 1111

**Sydney Children's Hospital**

High St  
Randwick NSW 2031  
Ph: 9382 1111

**Bankstown - Lidcombe Hospital**

68 Eldridge Road  
Bankstown NSW 2200  
Ph: 9722 8000

**Campbelltown Hospital**

Therry Road  
Campbelltown NSW 2560  
Ph: 4634 3000

**Concord Hospital**

Hospital Road  
Concord NSW 2139  
Ph: 9767 5000

**Liverpool Hospital**

Elizabeth Street  
Liverpool NSW 2170  
Ph: 8738 3000

**Royal Prince Alfred Hospital**

50 Missenden Road  
Camperdown NSW 2050  
Ph: 9515 6111

**St Vincent's Hospital**

Victoria Street  
Darlinghurst NSW 2010  
Ph: 8382 1111

**Westmead Hospital**

Cnr Hawkesbury and Darcy Roads  
Westmead NSW 2145  
Ph: 9845 5555

In an emergency, please call Triple Zero "000"

**Sydney Dental Hospital  
Paediatric Dentistry**

Level 2, 2 Chalmers Street, Surry Hills  
Phone: (02) 9293 3230 or (02) 9293 3255  
sydneydentalhospital@sswahs.nsw.gov.au

# Information for paediatric patients after General Anaesthetic



# What to expect after general anaesthetic:



When your child leaves the dental surgery, please take them home to rest. The effects of the anaesthetic will take at least 24 hours to wear off.

## Your child may experience:

- Nausea - if they vomit, let them rest and give them lots of fluids to drink. If they vomit more than 3 times in the next 24 hours, contact your general medical practitioner.
- Pain - you can give pain relieving medication, as directed.
- A sore throat or nose – from the anaesthetic or breathing tube which can last for a day.
- Muscle aches and pains – from the general anaesthetic which may last for a day. It is best for your child rest.
- Swelling around the surgery site - which can last for several days. The swelling is usually worse for 2-3 days, and then settles.

## For 24 hours after surgery DO NOT let your child:

- Exercise or play sports.
- Travel alone or be without supervision.
- For young adults this includes: no smoking, drinking alcohol, operating heavy machinery, cooking alone, making any important decisions or signing legal documents.

All patients will be given a follow-up appointment to check the healing 2-4 weeks after surgery at the Paediatric Department at Sydney Dental Hospital.

In some cases, your doctor may give you a prescription for antibiotics. Please go to a pharmacy to collect these and ensure your child takes as instructed.

**If you are worried following dental surgery, please contact the Paediatric Department at Sydney Dental Hospital on 9293 3230 or 9293 3255. After hours, contact your medical practitioner or local hospital's Emergency Department.**