

Cardiac Preadmission Visit

Benjamin Russell Hospital for Children





I am having a check up before my surgery.

This story will help teach me about my check up.



When I arrive at the hospital I will ride the elevators to the 4th floor.



On the 4th floor my family and I will check in at the desk.



I will wait calmly in the waiting room until my name is called.



When my name is called, my family and I will walk with the nurse to get my weight.

I will stand on a scale to see how much I weigh.



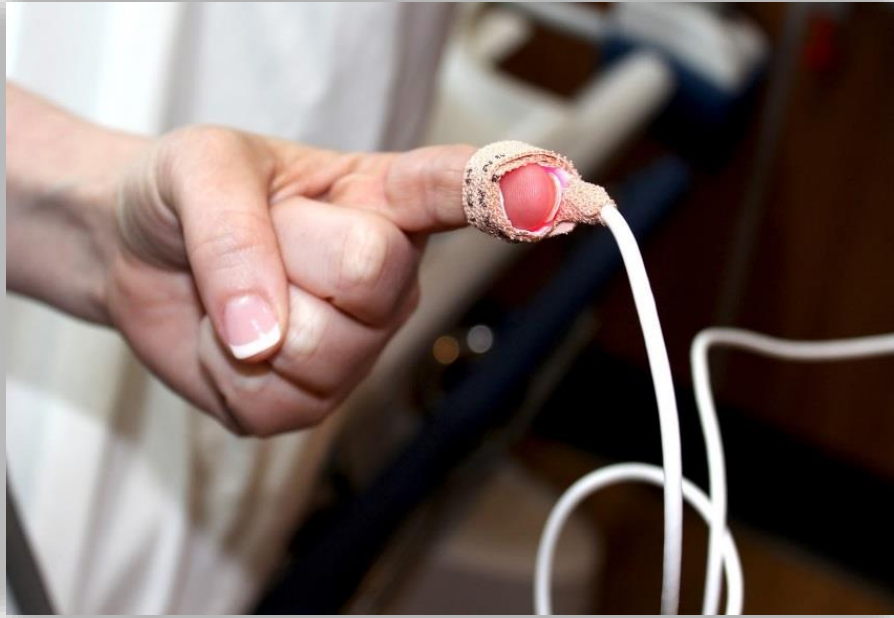
My family and I will follow the nurse to a room with a bed and TV.



My nurse will put a blood pressure cuff on my arm.

This will feel like a hug on my arm.

I will keep my arm still.



My nurse will put a sticker like this on my finger.
This will check how well I am breathing.
I will hear a beeping noise.



My nurse will take my temperature.
The thermometer will touch my head.



During my check up I will meet different people.

These people are all here to take care of me.

During my check up I am going to have my blood drawn.

This will help my doctors learn about my body and how healthy it is.

During my blood draw I will keep my arm very still.



I can learn more about my blood draw in the **Lab Social Story.**

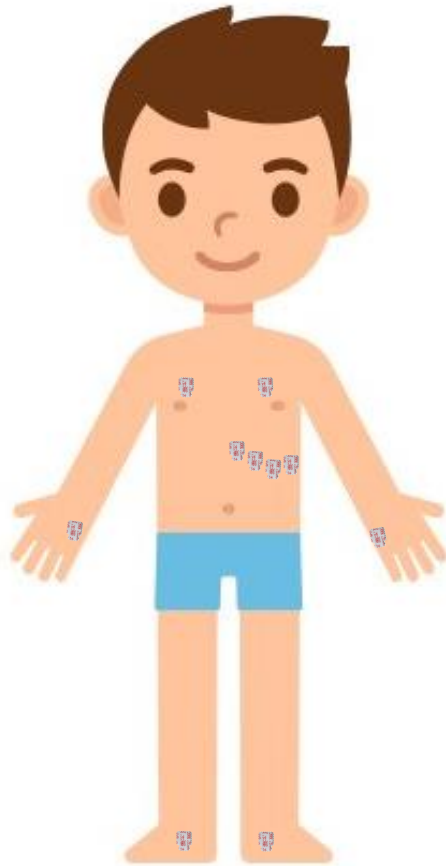
I will have an x-ray of my chest.

An x-ray is a picture of the inside of my body.

I will keep my body still during my picture.

My x-ray will not hurt.





I will have an EKG.

An EKG measures how my heart is beating.

Small stickers will be placed on my chest, arms, and legs.

I will stay still for my EKG.

All done



After my tests I will be all done.

My nurse will let me know when it is time to go home.

Cardiac Surgery

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I can learn more about my surgery in the **Cardiac Surgery Social Story**.

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