# TACOMA GENERAL





# MEET THE TEAM

#### Surgeon

Your surgeon will manage your hospital care and follow through your recovery.









### **Physicians Assistants**

Also called PA's, this team assists the surgeon in the operating room and will check in daily while you are in the hospital. You will often see one of the PA's during your follow up appointments as well.



### **Surgical Navigator**

Your navigator is a nurse that will work closely with you and your care team to advocate for your needs throughout your recovery.





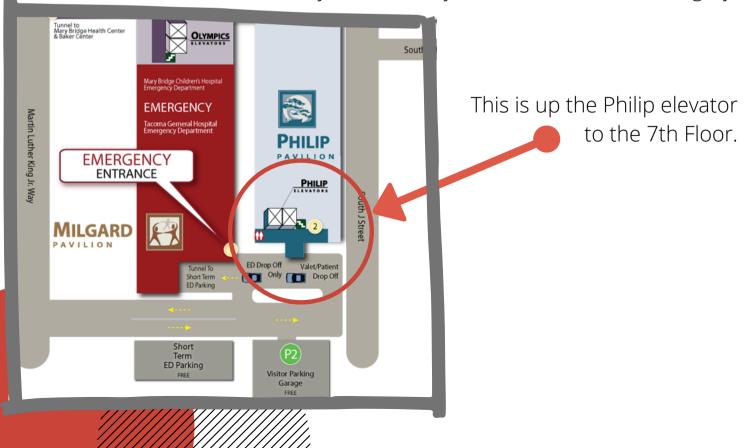
# WHERE TO GO:

### For a planned surgery (review your complete instructions from your surgeon and Pre-admit Clinic)

Arrive at the hospital at the time given to you by the Cardiothoracic Surgery office. Use the 2P entrance which is the 2nd floor in the Philip Pavilion.



Check in here. You will then be directed to the Cardiovascular Admission and Recovery Unit where you will be readied for surgery.



### PHONE NUMBERS TO REMEMBER

Cardiac Surgeon's Office Surgical Navigator Cardiology Clinic Auburn Puyallup Tacoma Cardiac Rehabilitation Auburn Puyallup Tacoma **PHONE #** 

253-403-7257 253-403-9709

253-572-7320 253-841-4347 253-572-7320

253-545-2559 253-697-8142 253-403-4386

# For your convenience we have the following clinic locations:

Surgical Clinic 419 South L St. Tacoma, WA 98405 Auburn Clinic 202 N Division St., Suite 301 Auburn, WA 98001

Puyallup Clinic 1450 5th St SE, Suite 1100 Puyallup, WA 98372

**Tacoma Clinic** 1901 S Cedar, Suite 301 Tacoma, WA 98405

\*Not all providers go to each location. You may see a different cardiologist than you saw in the hospital.

## FOLLOW UP AFTER SURGERY

It is important to see your doctors in follow-up after you leave the hospital.

- You will receive a phone call from the **surgical navigator** 2-3 days and again at 28-30 days after you leave the hospital.
- You will see a member of the **surgical team** in the first and third weeks after leaving the hospital. This may be the only follow up you need with the surgical team. Once you have recovered from your operation, your surgeon will turn the long-term care of your heart over to your cardiologist.
- You will see a member of the **cardiology team** 4-6 weeks after leaving the hospital.
- You should see your **primary care physician** about 4 weeks after leaving the hospital.

\*Depending on the doctor's schedule, this order is sometimes rearranged.

• **Madigan Patients-** You will return to Madigan for follow up with their surgeon and cardiologist.

## FOLLOW UP CHEST X RAY & LABS

In order for your surgeon to more thoroughly evaluate you at your post surgery appointment, a chest X-Ray and lab tests will be ordered. Please get a chest X-ray and labs at Tacoma General Hospital at least 30 minutes prior to your appointment with the surgical team.

**Chest X-Ray Location:** Radiology- 3rd Floor Philip Pavilion **Laboratory Location:** 4th Floor Philip Pavilion

The orders will be submitted through the computer and no appointment or paper work will be needed for these tests.

## CARDIOLOGY TEAN

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