

SURGERY OVERVIEW

DAY OF SURGERY

Report to your surgery location:

SurgCenter NE

2438 Dr. MLK Jr. St. N.
Suite C
St. Pete, FL 33704

Morton Plant Hospital

300 Pinellas Street
Clearwater, FL 34698

Advanced Surgical Care

93 Park Place Blvd
Suite 103
Clearwater, FL 33759

NOTES:

- The pre-op nurse will let you know where to go a day or so before the surgery.
- You will be taken to the pre-op area while your family will be taken to the waiting room.
- Surgery will be OUTPATIENT and will last 2-3 hours.
- After the surgery, Dr. Greene will talk with your family.
- When you wake up, your family will be allowed to come to your bedside.
- Plan to spend several hours in the hospital (pre-op / op / post-op/ recovery.)
- You will leave with a bandage/dressing over your ear. You can remove it the following day and shower normally.
- An antibiotic and pain medication prescription will be given to you.

RISKS OF SURGERY

- Loss of residual hearing in implanted ear
- Increased chance of infection in fluid around brain/spinal cord (Meningitis)
- Facial nerve stimulation/involuntary twitching
- Swelling/soreness, redness, weakening of skin around area of the device
- Vertigo
- Local complications such as blood / fluid / infection around incision site
- Neck pain
- Facial nerve injury
- Taste changes
- Anesthesia-related risks
- Post-surgical pain / infection / swelling

POST SURGERY

To minimize discomfort during the recovery period and achieve the best surgical outcome, please refer to our “Post-operative Instructions: form available on the Cochlear Clinic website.

NOTES:

- Please feel free to contact our office or triage nurse if you have any questions.
- You may have a sore throat / dry mouth for a few days due to the method of anesthesia.
- You may experience numbness or stiffness around your ear, this may last a few months.
- You may have a stiff neck or pain in your neck for a few days / weeks after surgery.
- Dizziness can be normal for a time after surgery.
- Do NOT remove or wet the bandage until instructed by the physician at your first post-op appointment.

FOR MEDICAL PROBLEMS or QUESTIONS

- Please contact ENT Associates at (727) 767-0933.