



HR

orthopaedics

Admissions: Joint Replacement

Hi I'm the sister on the orthopaedic ward. On the day of your admission you'll come to main reception. A porter will then bring you round to your room where you'll be greeted by a nurse to complete your admission paperwork. You'll then see Mr Hoad-Reddick, the anaesthetist and the clinical nurse specialist. They will then discuss the order of the list based on age and past medical history. They'll give you a rough time when they will be ready for you in theatre.

When the theatre is all ready for you, you'll be escorted up to theatre with a nurse. You'll then have your procedure and go to recovery. You can stay up to an hour in recovery and then the nurse will come and collect you and bring you back down to your room.

During your stay we will control your pain with appropriate pain relief. On average patients can stay for two to five days depending on your surgery. When Mr Hoad-Reddick and the physio are happy for you to be discharged the nurse will organise any medication you need to take home and the clinical nurse specialist will give you a leaflet advising you on your wound care.