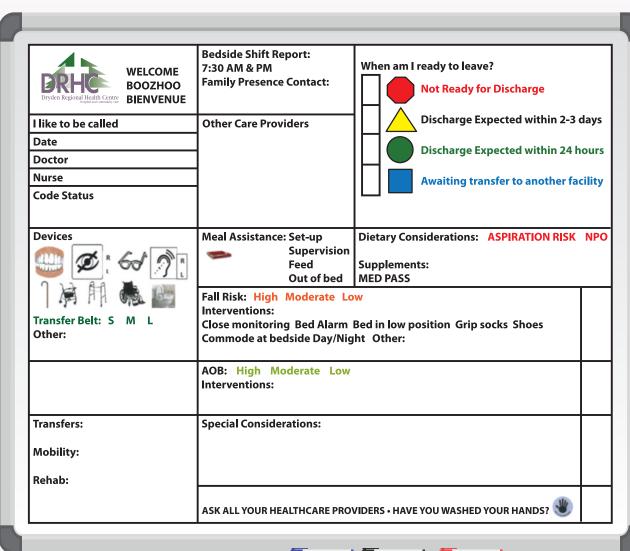


PLANNING YOUR STAY FROM Admission to Discharge

The purpose of this booklet is to improve communication between you and your health care team. You may use it to keep track of your Health Centre stay and discharge plan.



WHAT DOES MY WHITE BOARD TELL ME?



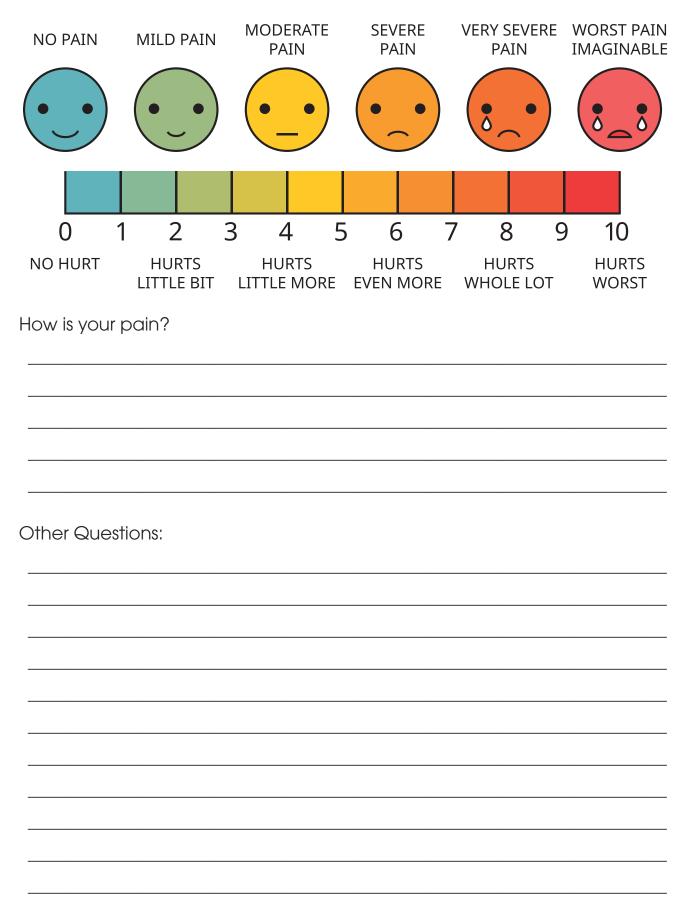


Use this page to write down any questions, as you think of them, that you want to remember to ask your nurse or doctor when they are there.

QUESTIONS I MIGHT WANT TO ASK MY DOCTOR OR NURSE

Why was I admitted to the Health Centre?				
What is my discharge code / colour?				
What does it mean?				
When will I be able to go home?				
What tests or treatments do I still Need?				
Who are my care providers?				
☐ Physician				
☐ Occupational Therapist (OT)				
☐ Physiotherapist				
☐ Mental Health Counsellor				
Dietician				
☐ Discharge Planner				
NOTES				

PAIN MEASUREMENT SCALE



PLANNING YOUR STAY - DISCHARGE CODE RED

MY DISCHARGE CODE IS **RED**WHAT QUESTIONS DO I NEED TO BE ASKING?

1. -	What is my plan of care?
_ 2. _	What fears and anxieties do I have about going home? Who can I talk to about this?
3.	What medications am I taking and what are they for?
	Should my medications be put in blister packs?
_ - 5. _	What needs to happen before I can go home?
- 6. -	Other questions:
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MY DISCHARGE CODE IS YELLOW 2-3 DAYS PRIOR TO DISCHARGE



1.	Be sure to	arrange (a ride	home	for the	day	of disc	charge.

Are there any changes in my medication?			
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3.	What help might I need when I go home?		
	Home Care, physio, nursing, homemaking, Meals on Wheels, Lifeline:		
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4.	Will I need any special equipment when I go home?		
	Walker, wheelchair, bath seat, ramp, bathroom accessibility:		
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5.	Have my fears and anxieties about going home been addressed?		
	Who can I talk to?		
6.	Other questions:		
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MY DISCHARGE CODE IS **GREEN**I AM READY TO GO HOME TOMORROW



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24 HOURS BEFORE DISCHARGE:

- 1. Make sure your ride will be here to pick you up before 11am.
- 2. Make sure you have suitable clothes to wear home.
- 3. Have all your questions been answered?
- 4. Review the discharge checklist



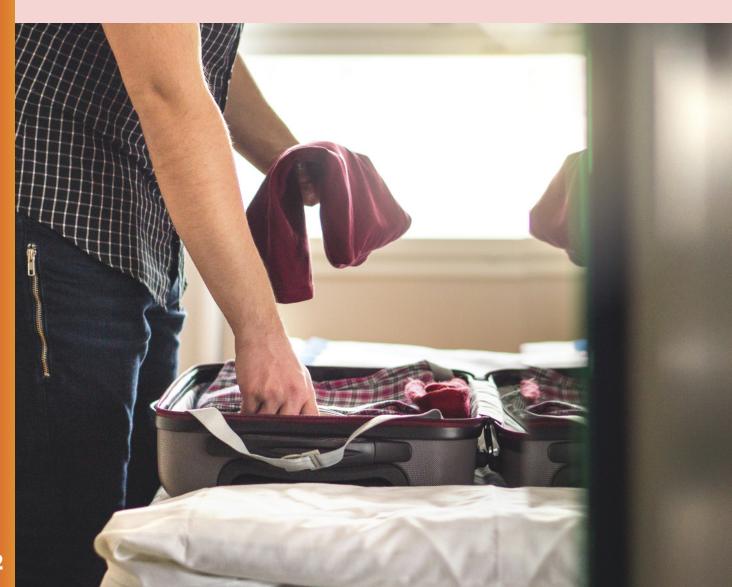
DISCHARGE DAY

We want to make your discharge a pleasant yet efficient experience. If your ride is unavailable before 11am, please notify your nurse as soon as possible. You may be asked to wait in the patient lounge.

BEFORE DISCHARGE:

- 1. The doctor must write a discharge order.
- 2. The nurse must get all your paperwork together.
- 3. Have all your questions been answered?
- 4. Review the discharge checklist

After the doctor has spoken to you, the nurse will come and explain the plan for you at home. Sometimes it takes a while to prepare your paperwork. **Please wait in your room**.



1.	Write down any questions you have and ask your nurse before you go home.
2.	Discuss your medications with your nurse including any changes that may have been made.
	Have any of your home medications been stopped?
	Do you need to take any new medications and what are they for?
3.	Make sure to obtain any belongings that have been locked up (money, purse, wallet &/or medications).

4. Before you leave the room, look around & check the drawers, closet, bathroom and over bed table for any belongings you may have missed such as hearing aids, glasses, walker, cane, shaver, comb, brush, toothbrush & toothpaste.

MY CHECKLIST ON DAY OF DISCHARGE

I know where I am going	YES	NO	QUESTIONS
I know the results of any tests I have had done			
I am tolerating food and fluids			
I am able to move around my home (with equipment as needed)			
I do not need help with toileting			
I know what help I will need at home			
I know who to call for help			
I have arranged a ride home before 11 am			
I have my discharge papers			
I know if I need a follow up appointment with my doctor			If "Yes", Has the appointment been made?
Do I need a specialist appointment			If "Yes", Has the appointment been made?
I have my prescriptions or they have been faxed to my pharmacy			
I understand my medications and why I need them			
I have all my belongings, including any medications that I brought to the Health Centre			,

PATIENT NOTES



SUMMARY

We hope that this information, as well as your contact with the health care team, will provide you with the information you need to have a good experience at the Dryden Regional Health Centre.

As part of our commitment to quality health care, we welcome your feedback.

Please fill in our Patient Satisfaction survey or any other questionnaire that is offered.



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