**PEDIATRIC PREPARING FOR SURGERY at OPSC**

Thank you for choosing us for your surgery. We are here to provide you and your family with safe, high-quality healthcare.

- The nurse will begin making calls (3) days before your surgery. **Please be sure we know the best phone number to use to reach you.**
- The nurse will be available to give your instructions and arrival time until 6:00pm on the day before your surgery.
- On the day of your surgery, if your child has a cold, cough, fever or flu symptoms, please call OPSC at 434-982-6100. Staff arrives at 5:30am. If you get voice mail, please leave a message.

**FAILURE TO FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS MAY RESULT IN CANCELLATION OF SURGERY.**

**NO FOOD OR BEVERAGES AFTER MIDNIGHT; this includes gum and candy.**

Your child **MAY** have only the following up to **TWO HOURS** before your **ARRIVAL** time:

- Gatorade
- Water
- Apple juice
- Pedialyte

**Children 12 months and younger:**
- May have breast milk until 4 hours prior to arrival time at the OPSC.
- May have formula until 6 hours prior to arrival time at the OPSC.

**MEDICATIONS:**
You will be given specific instructions for medications for your child to take on the day of surgery.

**OTHER INSTRUCTIONS:**
A parent or legal guardian must remain in the facility at all times when children **under the age of 18** are having surgery/procedure. Please shower before surgery with anti-microbial soap (Cetaphil, Dial, Dawn).

**WHAT TO BRING THE DAY OF SURGERY:**
- Glasses/contact lens/hearing aid cases (if your child uses them)
- Medical insurance card/Photo ID
- Comfortable clothes and security items such as blanket or stuffed animal
- Please remove all jewelry prior to arrival

**Do not bring valuables; we are not responsible for lost or damaged belongings or electronics.**

**SURGERY SAFETY STEPS:**
- Each time we care for your child we will check the armband and verify identity (name and date of birth).
- Your child’s Surgical Consent form should be reviewed with you and signed showing your agreement to the surgery; understanding of the need for the surgery; and the risks.
- We will verify what surgery your child is having and location. If surgery involves right or left, your physician will mark the site on your child’s body.
- A time–out check is completed in the OR before surgery to confirm the correct patient, correct procedure and correct location (site).
- Please feel free to ask all our team members if they washed their hands. We prevent infections by careful hand washing as well as the provision of antibiotics and/or surgical scrub (if needed).

**Please come to 11th Street Garage, Level C, on day of surgery. See enclosed map.**