

Columbia Parkway Surgery Center

FAQs

Where are you located?

Columbia Parkway Surgery Center is located at 8850 Columbia 100 Parkway Suite 102 in Columbia, MD. You may park in the same parking lot as the GoelVision clinic. Please walk into the main part of the building (between Xenia and GoelVision, underneath where it says 8850 on the building). You will remain on the first floor. Walk past the stairs and elevator on your right. Our suite is located just beyond the elevator in Suite 102.

When will my arrival time be?

One hour before your listed surgery time. A nurse will call you on the day before surgery to confirm your arrival time, and answer any questions you may have.

Can I take an Uber on the day of surgery?

Unfortunately, the answer to this is no. While in the care of Columbia Parkway Surgery Center staff, you will receive anesthesia medication, which necessitates that a family member or close friend transport you to and from the procedure. This is a state mandated requirement.

Can I be fully out for the procedure?

The type of anesthesia you will receive at our facility is called Monitored Anesthesia Care, or conscious sedation. You will be able to follow the directions of your surgeon throughout the procedure. Many patients find that they may remember some but not all parts of their time in the operating room. The anesthesia and nursing team will remain at your bedside and will be communicating with you throughout to ensure your comfort and safety. Patients often report that they remember the procedure immediately after, but then report the next day that they don't remember anything. Our goal is to ensure your complete comfort.

Reminders:

- **No eating or drinking after midnight** prior to your procedure.
- Dress in comfortable clothes/shoes. Wear short sleeves, either a button-down or t-shirt.
- Please bring:
 - A current list of your medications
 - Your postoperative prescriptions, if available
 - Your insurance cards and ID card
 - Advanced Directives/Living Will if you have one
 - A driver, either a loved one or close/family friend.

Discharge from Columbia Parkway Surgery Center:

Your family member (or friend) must remain at or near the surgery center at all times. If walking out to the car, your driver must leave a phone number at the front desk. After your surgery is complete, you will return to the pre-op/post-op area and the nursing/anesthesia staff will assess your vitals signs. With anesthesia's approval, you will be able to have a snack and water, and the nurse will go over your discharge instructions with you. After receiving your discharge instructions, you will be discharged to the door. We have a wheelchair available for use. For most patients at Columbia Parkway Surgery Center, discharge happens within 2 hours of the arrival time.