



After your lung surgery

Discharge checklist



This checklist helps you return home safely after surgery. You can tick each box to show you are ready to go home, and write down information you need to remember.

Your nurse will help you fill in the checklist on the day you leave hospital.

Name:	
Date of discharge:	
My follow-up appointment will l	be on (date):
<u>a</u>	t (hospital):
My stitches need to be remove	ed on (date):
	(please delete if stitches do not need removing)

Complete on the day you leave hospital

I have a copy of my discharge summary to give to my GP, and a copy for my own information

I have all my medication, including new medication, and I understand how to take them

My wound has been checked by a nurse

I have no cannulas (plastic tubes) left in my arms

I have no adhesive marks left on my skin (ECG stickers etc).

Patient or

Nurse

I do/do not need to see a practice nurse to take

my stitches out

Complete on the day you leave hospital	Patient or carer ✓	Nurse signature
If I need my stitches taken out:		
 I will make an appointment with my practice nurse 		
 I have a letter for the practice/district nurse and a contact number 		
I can pass urine freely and my bowels are working		
I can get around the ward independently		
I feel comfortable and my pain is controlled		
I am able to eat and drink		
I have a discharge time and my transport home is organised		
I am able to look after myself when I get home, or I have carers who will help me		
I have copies of these patient information booklets:		
After your lung surgery		
 Managing your pain at home after lung surgery 		
 Hygiene and wound care for heart and lung operation patients 		

Useful contacts

Print name:

Date:

Ward name:
Consultant:
Ward telephone:
Out of hours telephone:
Your nurse will complete the information below:
Discharging nurse: please add patient label, photocopy checklist and place copy in the patient's medical record.
Nurse signature:

Affix patient label here