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Date:

Dear Parent:

Your child ______ has been scheduled for surgery with Dr. ______ at Children's Hospital on ______ at _____.

This surgery / procedure requires an overnight stay. You will be able to stay overnight in the room with your child. Please arrive at the hospital 90 minutes prior to your scheduled time. If surgery is scheduled for 7:30 am, please arrive at 6:15 am.

Your child will need to come for pre-operative testing. At this appointment your child will be seen by a nurse and an anesthesiologist and have blood work drawn. This appointment has been scheduled for ______ at

Please report to the Admitting Office located on the 1st floor of Children's Hospital.

Children's Hospital offers an orientation for children and families and can be arranged by calling 617-355-7921.

Following are some DIET GUIDELINES for preparing your child for surgery: FOR ALL AGES: No food should be consumed after midnight the evening prior to surgery. This includes the following: solid foods, candy, chewing gum, milk, milk products. Orange juice and any juice with pulp carbonated beverages.

Clear fluids should be finished 3 hours prior to the scheduled time of surgery. These include: water, apple juice and clear juice drinks. Oral electrolyte solution and breast milk for nursing infants.

FOR INFANTS LESS THAN SIX MONTHS OLD

Infants less than six months of age may be given formula up to six hours before surgery. Breast milk or clear liquids as listed above may be given up to three hours before surgery.

IMPORTANT: Your child should not take ASPIRIN, IBUPROFEN or any product containing these medications for 2 WEEKS prior to surgery.

Please do not bring brothers or sisters or additional people such as grandparents or friends to the hospital.

If you have any concerns or questions please call 617-383-6846

Best Wishes,

Surgical Coordinator