
Pre-Admission Testing (PAT)

What is Pre-Admission Testing (PAT)?

Tampa General Hospital's vision is to be the safest and most innovative academic health system in America. Your surgeon has scheduled you for a PAT visit which helps assure that you are "optimized" or in the best condition possible prior to surgery. This visit may involve testing such as lab work, EKG, and pulmonary studies if they are indicated after having a history taken.

During your PAT visit you can expect the following:

- Appointment time: Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your appointment time and report to the Admissions Office at Tampa General Hospital which is located on the first floor just inside the Main Entrance. You may valet park for \$5.00 at the Main Entrance or park in the visitor's garage for \$3.00. You can expect your appointment time to be 60 minutes to three hours. *Your appointment time may be longer if your history is complicated or you are scheduled to see another department.*
 - The PAT staff will obtain a detailed medical and surgical history, and you will be evaluated by a member of our anesthesia team. *You will meet your anesthesiologist on the actual day of your surgery.*
 - Your visit will include vital signs, height, and weight. You may also need blood work, EKG, or x-rays. *There is no need to be fasting for blood work. Please take your normal medications on the day of your PAT appointment.*
 - You may be scheduled with other specialties such as pulmonary/respiratory, case management, a dietician and/or skin nurse. You may also be seen by your surgeon's nurse practitioner or physician assistant.
- After your PAT interview, you may be asked to make a follow-up appointment with a physician to clear you for surgery.

Save time – please bring the following to your PAT appointment:

- Please bring your insurance card and photo identification.
- The name/phone numbers of all of your current physicians and your family doctor.
- Have a list of your current medications (prescription and over-the-counter including all supplements), dosages and how often you are taking them.
- Have your past hospitalizations and surgeries written down with dates and reasons admitted.
- A copy of your Healthcare Advance Directives, if you have one.
- If you have had blood work, x-rays, EKG, stress test or any other testing performed in the last six months, please bring a copy of those test results with you to your appointment. You can also have these test results faxed to the PAT Department before your appointment at (813) 844-4232.

**IF YOU ARE LATE OR NEED
TO CANCEL OR RESCHEDULE
YOUR PAT APPOINTMENT, PLEASE
CALL THE PAT DEPARTMENT
AT (813) 844-7869.**
