

Barringtons Hospital Contact Details

Admissions	061 490531/532/533
Cardiology	061 490560
Dermatology	061 490546
Endocrinology	061 490516
ENT	061 490547
Gastroenterology	061 490534/535
General Surgery	061 608050/ 608051 061 490534/535
Gynaecology	061 490547
Imaging	061 490560
Laboratory	061 490550/552
Neurology	061490546
MRI/Dexa Scan	061490590
Ophthalmology	061 608011
Oral/Maxillofacial	061 608012
Orthopaedics	061 490547/534
Paediatrics	061 490548/546
Plastic/Hand Surgery	061 490545
Rheumatology	061 490546
Urology	061 490534/535
Vascular Surgery	061 608050/ 608051 061 490534/535



BARRINGTONS HOSPITAL



PATIENT INFORMATION



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Barringtons Hospital
Georges Quay, Limerick

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General Information

Welcome to the Surgical and Diagnostic Unit at Barringtons Hospital. We aim to provide a comprehensive personalised service appropriate to your individual health care needs. The majority of our procedures are performed as Day Surgery, however certain procedures require planned overnight care. The Hospital's admissions office is on the lower ground floor and the two in-patient wards are on the first and second floors. We do endeavour to keep to the scheduled surgery times however, due to the nature of surgery delays do occur and at such times we ask for your kind co-operation. We hope you have received and read your specific procedure advice sheet. Please bring this with you on the day of your admission.

If you have symptoms of flu or feel unwell please contact the Hospital before admission on 061 490571/582 to speak to a nurse for advice.

In-patients

- Please arrange to have a relative or friend collect you from the hospital ward on discharge to **escort** you home. Discharge time will vary, you will be advised by your admission nurse of your estimated discharge time.

Please ensure you have organised for **someone to stay with you for the first 24hrs following your procedure or longer if necessary.**

This is because you have had a general anaesthetic or sedation and the effects of these drugs take 24 hours to leave your system. Please contact the nurse's station on **061 490571/582** if you are unable to meet this requirement

- Please **leave all your valuables and jewellery at home and remove all**

body piercing. Barringtons Hospital cannot take responsibility for any items lost or stolen on the premises. If your wedding band cannot be removed we can cover it with tape.

- Any make-up, false nails and nail varnish should be removed.
- Please bring a dressing gown, nightwear, slippers and reading material into hospital with you. If you are staying overnight please bring a towel and any toiletries that you may need.
- For your comfort you are allowed to drink water only up to one hour before your admission time. You must fast from food as per your specific advice sheet. If unsure please call nurses station on **061-490571/582**
- If you are taking regular medication for **high blood pressure or heart problems** please take as normal on the day of the procedure with water. If you are on blood thinning tablets such as **Warfarin, Plavix or Aspirin** please contact the nurse's station on **061-490571/582** for advice about discontinuing this medication prior to your procedure. If you have **diabetes** please call the above number ASAP and we will arrange for you to be scheduled early on the theatre list. Please bring all your **current medication** (including insulin and hypoglycaemics) in their original containers with you. Please ask your pharmacist for a print out of all your current medications and bring this list with you on admission. Do not take any herbal remedies or supplements the day of your surgery as these can

interfere with medications you are given in hospital.

- If you have any special needs or mobility problems please contact the nurses station on **061-490571/582** for advice.
- In the interest of safety please adhere to **Barringtons Hospital no smoking policy.**
- If you leave the ward area against medical or nursing advice Barringtons Hospital will not take any responsibility for your actions and any consequences, which may result.
- Please bring your Health Insurance Number with you on the day of admission, if applicable. **Please note that a shortfall or excess may apply with some Insurances and is payable on the day of surgery.**
- All accounts must be settled prior to your procedure.
- Doctors Consultation and Review visit fees are payable on the day and are not covered by Health Insurers.
- If you have any comments or suggestions regarding your care, treatment and stay, please complete the patient satisfaction questionnaire and post into the comments box at the nurse's station. You can also log your opinion of your treatment on www.ratemyhospital.ie **We value your input into continuously improving our service to our patients.**