

Procedure Center



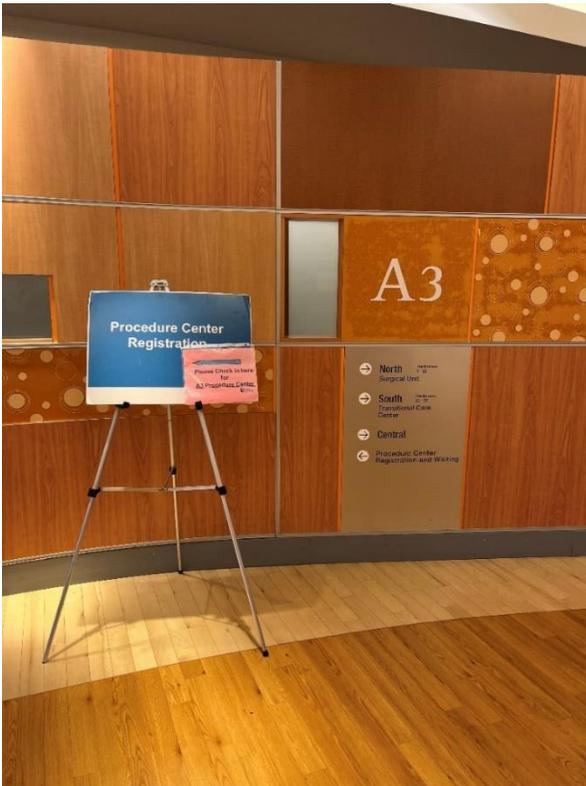
Welcome to Cincinnati Children's Procedure Center!



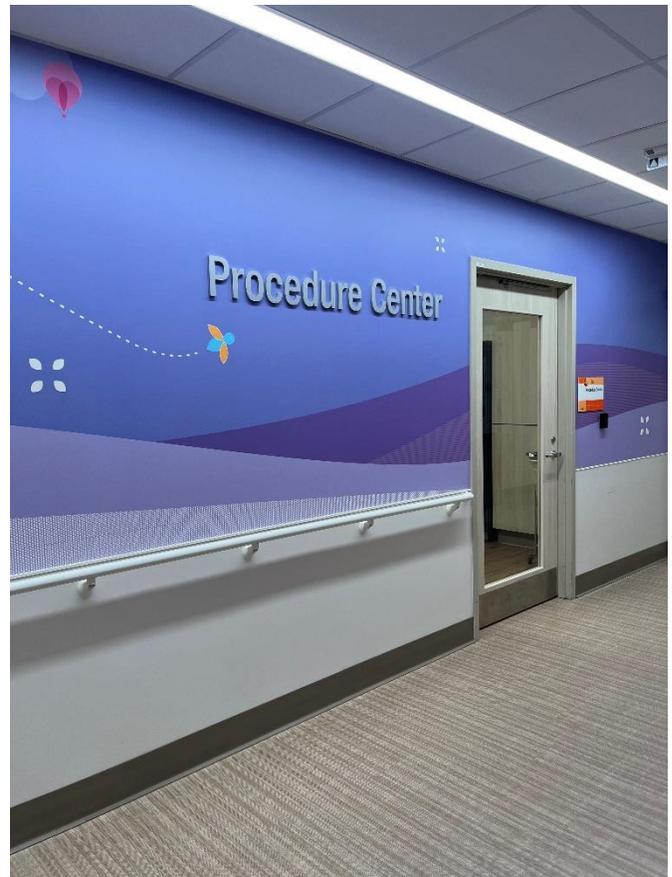
You will start your visit at the A Welcome desk on the first floor. The staff members sitting at the desk will ask you and your caregiver to take the elevators to the 3rd floor.



The 3rd floor is where a staff member will ask you and your caregiver questions about your visit. The nurses and doctors now know that you are checked in for your procedure. You and your family will sit in the waiting area until a staff member calls your name.



The staff member will then take you down the hall to the Procedure Center.



Once you are in the Procedure Center, a nurse will have you step on a scale to see how much you weigh. The nurse will also ask to see your wristband that has your name and birthday on it.



The nurse will take you to a getting ready room and ask you and your caregiver questions. They will help you get ready for your procedure.



The nurse will listen to your heart and lungs with a stethoscope.



They will take your temperature with a thermometer that gently touches your forehead.



The nurse will also place a pulse oximeter on your finger. This feels like a Band-Aid and glows red. This will tell the nurse how you're breathing. It will come off after just a few seconds.



The nurse will check your blood pressure with a white cuff. The cuff will wrap around your arm and feel like a tight squeeze. It will come off after a few seconds.



Before your procedure, the nurse will ask you to change into hospital pajamas. You can change back into your own clothes when you are all done with your procedure.



You will receive sleepy medicine called “anesthesia” for your procedure. A doctor will use a soft clear mask to help you breathe sleepy air. After you take some deep breaths, you will not feel anything during your procedure.



This is an anesthesia machine. It makes the sleepy medicine. It will gently blow the air through your mask. You can choose to have your sleepy air smell like bubblegum or strawberry.



This is the room where you will get your sleepy medicine. It is called the operating room or procedure room.



Some patients will need anesthesia through an IV. An IV is a catheter or small straw that will go into a vein in your hand or arm. The IV may be done in the getting ready room or in the operating room. An anesthesia staff member will talk to you and your caregiver to make a plan for your anesthesia.

When you wake up from your procedure, you will be in a room called the recovery room or wake up room. You will have a nurse taking care of you. The nurse will bring your caregiver to sit next to you.



You may see an IV or a small straw in your hand or arm when you wake up. The IV helps give your body water and medicine. The nurse will take out your IV before you go home. This may feel like taking off a sticker.

You may also be able to have a drink or a popsicle when you wake up.



When the doctor says that you may go home, a staff member will take you to your car in a wheelchair.

