# Path to Home Guide: Knee Surgery





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### **Day of Surgery**

Day After Surgery

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**Breathing Exercises** 











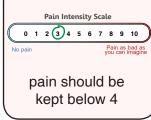




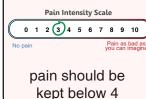


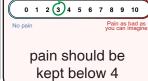
Pain Control

Activities









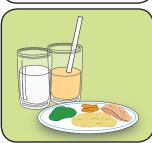
Pain Intensity Scale

Nutrition



















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	Day of surgery	1 Day after Surgery	2 Days after Surgery	3 Days after Surgery
Breathing Exercises	Start breathing exercises	Continue doing my breathing exercises every hour while awake.		
Activities	With help, get up and sit in the chair, as tolerated Start doing my leg exercises as soon as I wake up.	With help, get up and walk 2 times to the door of your room and back to your chair.  With help, walk and use the bathroom, not the bedpan or commode.  Sit in the chair for all my meals Be out of bed for most of the day.  An xray of my knee may be done	With help, get up and walk 2 times longer distance then yesterday With help, walk and use the bathroom, not the bedpan or commode. Be out of bed for most of the day. If not done yesterday, An xray of my knee may be done	With help, get up and walk 2 times longer distance then yesterday With help, walk and use the bathroom, not the bedpan or commode. Be out of bed for most of the day. If not done yesterday, An xray of my knee may be done
Pain Control	Tell my nurse if my pain reaches 4/10 on the pain scale.			
Diet	Take liquids - drink if I am not nauseous.	I should be able to go back to my normal diet today.  I should drink and eat fruits and vegetables to prevent constipation.	I should receive a normal diet	
Tubes & Lines	An intravenous will be connected to give me fluids and medications.	The intravenous might be removed today	There will be no tubes or drains connected when I leave for home	

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