

Going for a blood test in hospital



An Easy Read guide for going for a blood test in hospital



This booklet will help you get ready to go for your blood test.

Your carers should read through this booklet with you.



Look for the map at the main entrance.



Clean your hands.



Your blood test is in the yellow zone.

Follow the signs for Phlebotomy (blood tests).



This is the entrance to where you go to get your blood test.

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Give your form to the person at the desk.

Take your ticket.



If there is no person at the desk take a ticket from the machine.



You will be asked to sit down in the waiting room.



When the number on your ticket and the screen are the **same ones**, walk into the room.

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Sit on the chair.

Give your form to the person doing your blood test.

They will ask you some questions and tell you what is going to happen.



If you have a hospital passport, give it to the person at the desk.



A strap will be put around your arm.
This is called a tourniquet.
This will feel tight.



They will clean your arm.

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They will look at your arm to find the best place to take the blood.



Do not move.

You can look away if you want.



A needle will be put in your arm. You will feel a small scratch.

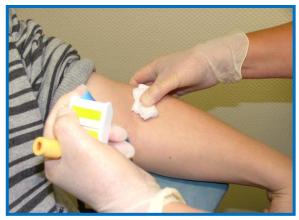


Some blood will be taken.

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The needle will be taken out of your arm.



The strap will be removed from your arm.

A swab will be put on your arm to stop the bleeding.



A clean dressing will be put on your arm.



They will tell you when you will get your results and tell you what to do after your blood test.

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You can go home now.



Remember

Talk to staff if you are worried.

Talk to the staff if you want to ask questions.

The staff want to help you.

Complaints

If you feel you have been treated badly or unfairly you can complain.



Customer Care Team

For free support, advice and information

We are here to help

Talk to the nurse or the Customer Care Team at the hospital.



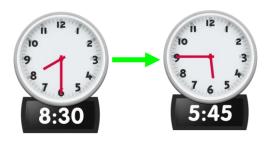
Phlebotomy opening times

Leighton Hospital



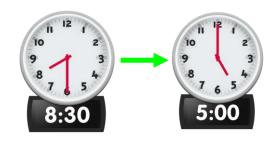
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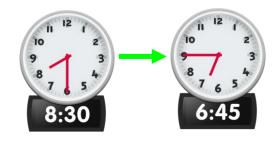
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