

Newman provides:


- a personal, attentive and highly skilled surgical staff that offers assistance and support for patients and their families prior to surgery.
- emergency and acute care services on hand, within the building, if needed.
- state-of-the-art equipment used during the surgery with certified infection control personnel and accredited sterilization facilities and procedures.
- all the support of a full-service regional health center including laboratory, blood bank for transfusions, radiology, cardiopulmonary, physical therapy and many others.
- post-op support after surgery and after the patient has been discharged from Newman.
- the only comprehensive medical center accredited by HFAP in the seven-county region surrounding Emporia.

When a choice must be made concerning where you have your surgery procedure, be sure your opinion is heard. And remember, you do have a choice.



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The facts on Surgical Facilities

A photograph showing two surgeons in an operating room. They are wearing blue scrubs, blue bouffant caps, and surgical masks. They are focused on a patient, with one surgeon using surgical forceps. The scene is brightly lit, typical of a surgical suite.

It's your surgery.
Know your choices.

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You still have choices to make after deciding to have surgery.

One of the most important choices is deciding where you want to have your surgery. Before making any decisions, take time to explore your options. Surgical facilities vary widely in many regards, including:

- the services they provide,
- equipment and resources available,
- experience with the procedure,
- safety and emergency back-up services,
- cost, and
- convenience.

You may wish to visit with your personal physician. Ask if he or she is on staff at the hospital and how they would be involved with your care. You may also want to ask your specialist for their recommendations, but ultimately, the choice of where to have your surgery is up to you.

Where you have your surgery performed is your choice. Your overall health and well-being, as well as choosing the best facility to meet your specific medical needs, should always be primary considerations in your decision.

The Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program (HFAP) of the American Osteopathic Association has been providing medical facilities with an objective review of their services since 1945. The program is recognized nationally by the federal government, state governments, insurance carriers and managed care organizations. The program is a deemed accrediting agency by Medicare.

Questions you should ask

The following is a sample of questions we believe you should ask each potential surgery facility before you decide where to have your surgery.

- Has a nationally recognized accrediting agency accredited the hospital or surgical center?
- Does the hospital provide help to you if financial assistance is needed?
- If high-tech equipment such as a laser is used in procedures, are staff properly trained to use and care for the equipment?
- Do the services and specialties provided by the hospital meet your specific medical needs?
- Does the hospital explain the patient's rights and responsibilities?
- Does the organization have a 24-hour telephone number you can call if a complication arises after the procedure? Ask who will answer the phone and what the procedure is for dealing with such emergencies after hours.
- Is the organization affiliated with any area hospitals? What is its transfer plan in case of an emergency?
- Will a discharge plan be developed for you before you leave the hospital? Ask what services are available and what your primary care physician's involvement will be.
- Does the hospital provide you with the necessary training to continue your care in your home after you have been discharged?