

Driving Directions

To Sparrow Campus (Main)

From Northeast (Saginaw/Flint/Owosso)

- Take west I-69 to south I-127 (exit 89A)
- Take I-127 to west I-496
- Exit at Pennsylvania Avenue (first exit)
- Turn right on Pennsylvania Avenue
- Take Pennsylvania Ave. north to Michigan Ave. (second major intersection)
- Turn right on Michigan Avenue
- Sparrow will be on the left, use second entrance

From North (Mt. Pleasant, Alma, St. Johns)

- Take 27 to south I-127 (exit 89A)
- Take I-127 to west I-496
- Exit at Pennsylvania Avenue (first exit)
- Turn right on Pennsylvania Avenue
- Take Pennsylvania Ave. north to Michigan Ave. (second major intersection)
- Turn right on Michigan Avenue
- Sparrow will be on the left, use second entrance

From Southwest (Battle Creek, Kalamazoo)

- Take east I-94 to north I-69 (exit 108)
- Take I-69 to I-496
- Exit at Pennsylvania Avenue
- Turn left on Pennsylvania Avenue
- Take Pennsylvania Ave. north to Michigan Ave. (second major intersection)
- Turn right on Michigan Avenue
- Sparrow will be on the left, use second entrance

From Southeast (Detroit, Jackson, Brighton, Howell)

- Take west I-96 to north I-127 (exit 106B)
- Take I-127 to I-496
- Exit at Pennsylvania Avenue (first exit)
- Turn right on Pennsylvania Avenue
- Take Pennsylvania Ave. north to Michigan Ave. (second major intersection)
- Turn right on Michigan Avenue
- Sparrow will be on the left, use second entrance

From West (Grand Rapids)

- Take east I-96 to I-496 (exit 95)
- Exit at Pennsylvania Avenue
- Turn left on Pennsylvania Avenue
- Take Pennsylvania Ave. north to Michigan Ave. (second major intersection)
- Turn right on Michigan Avenue
- Sparrow will be on the left, use second entrance

St. Lawrence Campus

From Northeast (Saginaw/Flint/Owosso)

- Take west I-69 to south I-127 (exit 89A)
- Take Grand River Ave./Saginaw St. exit
- Turn right at first light onto Grand River Ave.
- After 1 mile Grand River will veer to the right. Keep left on what now becomes Oakland Ave.
- Take Oakland Ave. to St. Lawrence (approx. 2 miles). Move to left lane after the downtown area.
- After crossing Martin Luther King Blvd., turn left into the last driveway of hospital complex. (Sign will say surgery).

From North (Mt. Pleasant, Alma, St. Johns)

- Take 27 to south I-127 (exit 89A)
- Take Grand River Ave./Saginaw St. exit
- Turn right at first light onto Grand River Ave.
- After 1 mile Grand River will veer to the right. Keep left on what now becomes Oakland Ave.
- Take Oakland Ave. to St. Lawrence (approx. 2 miles). Move to left lane after the downtown area.
- After crossing Martin Luther King Blvd. turn left into the last driveway of hospital complex (sign will say surgery).

From Southwest (Battle Creek, Kalamazoo)

- Take east I-94 to north I-69 (exit 108)
- Take I-69 to I-496
- Take exit 5 Martin Luther King Blvd.
- Turn left (north) on MLK for 1 mile. Stay in left lane.
- Turn left (west) onto Oakland Ave.
- Turn left into last driveway of hospital complex (sign will say surgery).

From Southeast (Detroit, Jackson, Brighton, Howell)

- Take west I-96 to north I-127 (exit 106B)
- Take I-127 to I-496 (Downtown Lansing)
- Take exit 5 Martin Luther King Blvd. Move immediately into the far right lane.
- Turn right onto MLK Blvd. (north) for 1 mile. Stay in left lane.
- Turn left (west) onto Oakland Ave.
- Turn left into last driveway of hospital complex (sign will say surgery).

From West (Grand Rapids)

- Take east I-96 to M-43/Saginaw Hwy. (exit 93B)
- Go east on M-43/Saginaw Hwy. (approx. 3 miles)
- Stay in left lane. St. Lawrence will be on the left.
- Turn left into the first driveway of the hospital complex (sign will say surgery).



ANESTHESIA

An anesthesiologist will meet with you prior to your surgery.

Your Anesthesia Care Team

Your anesthesiologist and anesthetist are key members of your surgical team. They give you anesthetics and stay with you for the entire procedure, constantly monitoring every important function of your body and individually modifying your anesthetic to ensure your maximum safety and comfort.

Types of Anesthesia

Simply put, anesthesia means the loss of feeling or sensation. Anesthesia is the careful administration of a drug or drugs that allows you to reach this condition so you will remain comfortable and free of pain throughout your surgery and immediately following. Basically, there are three types of anesthesia.

A GENERAL ANESTHETIC acts to put you in a deep sleep so you will be completely unaware of any pain anywhere in your body during the entire operation. Depending on the general anesthetic(s) used, it may be administered through an IV (intravenous), by breathing anesthesia gases, or both.

A REGIONAL ANESTHETIC numbs only that part of the body which will be undergoing surgery. You may remain awake and comfortable or sleep lightly during your surgery.

MONITORED SEDATION is often used for surgery that is short or not too intensive, such as removing a cataract from an eye. Sedatives (medications that relax you) and painkillers are given through an IV line. The area around the surgical site is usually numbed with a local anesthetic. Patients are frequently sedated prior to the injection of local anesthetic, so there is no recall of the procedure.

WHICH TYPE WILL BE USED?

The type of anesthesia used will be based on a joint decision by you, your surgeon and your anesthesia care team.

Billing

Depending on the kind of medical insurance you have, you may receive a separate bill for your anesthesia. The amount reflects all the duties performed by your anesthesiologist or nurse anesthetist during your surgery. The type of surgery you have, the total time of anesthesia, your risk factors, and whether the surgery was an emergency all affect the total cost of anesthesia. If you have any questions about the fee or the amount covered by your health insurance call 517-484-4451.