Lady Sobell Gastrointestinal Unit, Wexham Park Hospital



Deep Sedation for Endoscopy Patients

If you need an interpreter, please contact us as soon as possible so that we can arrange for a qualified person to attend your appointments.

Deep sedation is different from the normal sedation used as it requires administration by an experienced anaesthetist. The anaesthetist will provide drugs used in general anaesthesia for your comfort and safety.

During deep sedation, you will sleep through the procedure with only a small chance of a little memory or recall of what happens in the procedure room. Your breathing can slow and you might be sleeping until the medications wear off. With deep sedation, supplemental oxygen is always given. You will be monitored closely before, during and after the endoscopy procedure until your vital signs are stable and you are fully conscious.

Assessment and Consent

Before you are given the deep sedation, the attending anaesthetist will ask for your medical history. The anaesthetist will also explain sedation and sedation procedure to you, before obtaining your consent.

If you have any further queries, please contact the Lady Sobell GI Unit on 01753 634163.

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