## **Baystate Orthopedic Surgery Center Surgery Instructions**

Your surgery date is scheduled for\_\_\_\_\_\_\_at The Baystate Orthopedic Surgery Center. You will be notified the afternoon prior to surgery of your arrival and procedure times.

\*At times we do have emergency add-on cases. If that occurs, please understand your surgery date may be cancelled and rescheduled.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW WILL RESULT IN THE CANCELLATION OF YOUR SURGERY.

**REMEMBER:** DO NOT EAT OR DRINK AFTER MIDNIGHT THE DAY BEFORE YOUR SURGERY.

REMOVE: ALL ARTIFICIAL NAILS AND NAIL POLISH.

**YOU CANNOT DRIVE YOURSELF HOME**: The admitting office will instruct you as to the time of discharge. Make sure you make arrangements for someone to drive you home. The use of a taxicab or city bus is strictly prohibited.

**DIABETICS**: Do not take insulin at home the morning of surgery. Bring your bottle of insulin with you to the surgery center.

**<u>DISCONTINUE</u>**: The use of **ASPIRIN** or **ASPIRIN PRODUCTS** one week prior to your surgery date.

**<u>DISCONTINUE</u>**: The use of Anti-inflammatory medications 48 hours prior to your surgery date.

If you have been instructed to take any medication the morning of surgery, take them as instructed with a small sip of water.

**PARENTS**: it is not safe for anyone to drive while caring for a child who has had surgery. Please have another responsible adult accompany you home after the child has been discharged.

If you have any questions please call **Dairne (Medical Secretary)** at 413-233-1123, at New England Orthopedic Surgeons.