

# Recovering in the Treatment Center

**After your child is done with their surgery or procedure, they will be taken to the Treatment Center to recover. This document will tell you what to expect when your child moves to the recovery area.**

**Meeting with the surgeon:** When your child's surgery is finished, the surgeon will call you or meet with you in one of the consult rooms near the Treatment Center Waiting Room to update you on your child's procedure.

**Rest and recovery for your child:** Once your child's surgery is completed, they will be taken to the recovery area, where they will rest under the care of nurses until the anesthesia wears off. How much time a child stays in the recovery room is different for each patient. This is because some children take longer than others to wake up completely after anesthesia. Your child's stay in the recovery room will usually be **between 30 minutes and 90 minutes**.

**Seeing your child:** Our goal is to get you back with your child as soon as possible. Once your child is settled in the Treatment Center, a staff member will come and take you to the recovery area.

**Waking up from anesthesia:** Children wake up from anesthesia in different ways. They may be sleepy, excited, irritated, or have an upset stomach. Your anesthesia provider and recovery room nurses will make sure your child is safe during this time.

**Additional medicine or liquids:** Additional medicine may be given to your child to help ease their pain. Your child will be offered and encouraged to drink water or Gatorade.