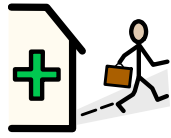




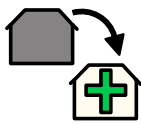
Leaving Hospital



When you are better you can leave hospital.

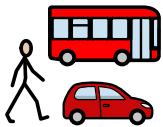
Hospital staff will tell you when you can leave.

If you are not sure when you are going to leave, ask the staff.



When you leave hospital, you may go home.

Or you may go to another hospital or care home.



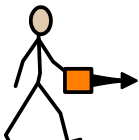
Travel



Make sure you know how you are getting home.

You can ask family, friends or carers for a lift.

The hospital may arrange an ambulance for you if needed.



Things to take home

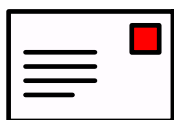


Take all your belongings home.

Remember your valuables in the hospital safe.



Medicines

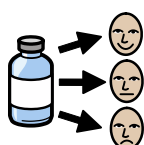


A nurse will give you a letter about your treatment.

The nurse will also send a letter to your GP.



The nurse may give you medicines.



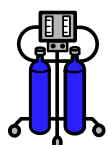
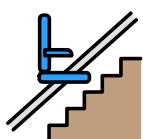
The nurse will explain how to take your medicines, like when to take, how many and side effects.



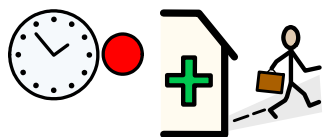
Equipment



You might take equipment home, like crutches, wheelchair or a walking frame.



Sometimes new equipment may be put into your home, like a stair lift or breathing equipment.



After leaving hospital



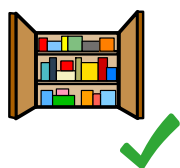
After leaving hospital you may have help at home.
A carer, nurse or therapist can help.



It is a good idea to have supplies at home.
Ask family, friends or carers to go shopping
for supplies.

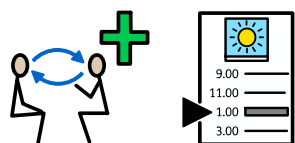


A community team member may visit you
at home.

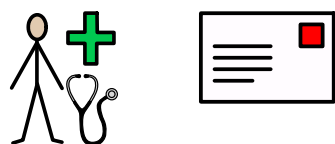


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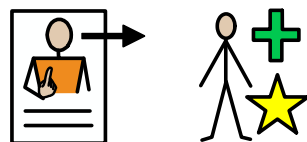
- good support
- correct medication
- plenty of supplies
- working utilities



Follow up Appointments



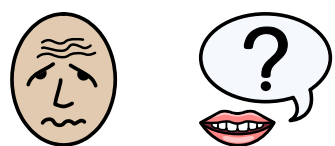
The doctor may want to see you again.
The hospital will arrange an appointment and send you a letter.



You may be referred to a specialist for treatment.
Treatment like physio, diet advice or speech and language therapy.



Questions



The doctor may want to see you again.
The hospital will arrange an appointment and send you a letter.