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Directions for Optimal Post-Anesthesia Care for the Patients Escort

The effects of Intravenous Anesthesia can persist up to twelve hours after a patient is discharged from the office. Observation and assistance from the patients escort is essential for their full recovery and speedy return to normal activities. We thank you for assisting this patient.

Assist the Patient with a Steady Hand: The patients balance and reaction time will be impaired. You will need to provide direct assistance by holding the patient by the arm as you move them from your vehicle to their home. This is especially important on stairs or uneven surfaces.

Keep the patient under observation for at least three hours after anesthesia and surgery.

Assist the patient in following the post-operative directions for medication use, dietary intake, and resting position.

Remind the patient not to drive, operate machinery, or make any business decisions for 24 hours.