

# **Bronchoscopy Discharge Advice**

#### After the Procedure

You are advised to rest after the procedure. You may experience the following:

- Coughing up small amount of blood (less than a teaspoon) this is expected, and the bleeding should stop by the next day
- · Feverish within 24 hours of the procedure
- Hoarse voice, which usually recovers within one to two days
- Temporary effects of sedation, which should wear off after one day, including:
  - Dizziness
  - Nausea
  - Slight amnesia (you may not remember much about the procedure)
  - Tiredness
  - Judgement and reaction may be hindered for a short period of time, this
  - is it important that you:
    - Do not drive or operate machinery
    - Do not take sleeping tablets and /or alcohol
    - Do not sign legal documents or make important decisions

## **Dietary Advice**

Clear liquid diet for the first six hours. If it is well-tolerated, you can then proceed to milk feeds, followed by soft diet, and subsequently resume the normal diet.

### When Should I Seek Medical Help?

It is important to seek medical attention should you experience any of the following symptoms:

- Chest pain
- Coughing up a large amount of blood
- Difficulty in breathing and severe shortness of breath
- · Persistent fever for more than 24 hours after the procedure
- · Swollen and inflamed injection site

You can either consult your family doctor, polyclinic doctor, or a specialist. Should it be after office hours, please proceed to the nearest Emergency Department or our 24-HR Urgent Care Centre (UCC).

#### **Contact Us**

#### 24-HR Urgent Care Centre

Location: Zone A, Level 1, A01-05

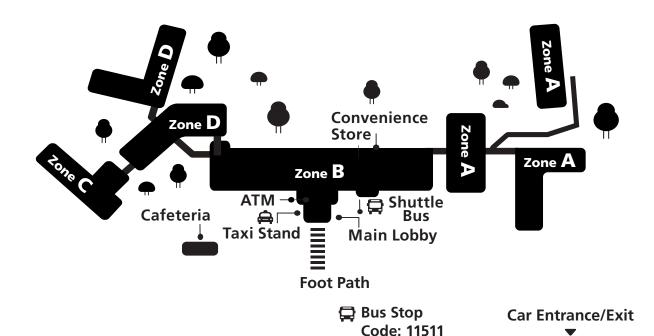
Operating Hour: 24 hours, 7 days a week

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