



Patient Information Sheet

Pre Admissions Patients

No appointment is necessary for this test

Your doctor has referred you to have some pathology testing done prior to your admission to hospital for a procedure.

What tests will I need to have done?

Specific pathology tests requested by your doctor will depend on the procedure being performed. Tests may include blood tests such as a Full Blood Count, Urea and Electrolytes, Liver Function Tests, Group and Hold or a Cross Match request for transfusion purposes. Your doctor may also order an ECG.

When should I have tests done?

It is important that you have these tests done in a suitable timeframe so that the results are available to your requesting doctor prior to your procedure. We suggest presenting to your Capital Pathology Collection Centre 10-14 days prior to your surgery (Depending on previous history any Group & Hold or Cross Match testing may only be done less than 72hrs before surgery).

Why do I need to have tests done?

Your doctor will use these results to assess your general health prior to your procedure.

If blood units are required for transfusion, the laboratory will use your blood specimen to check your blood group and find suitable matching donor units.

By coming to have your blood test done before admission it gives the laboratory enough time to ensure that your blood units will be ready.

Where can I have tests done?

Specimens may be collected at all Capital Pathology Collection Centres.

For further information or to make an appointment, please contact your nearest Collection Centre
Updated Collection Centre details may be found:

- On the reverse of your request form
- Website: www.capitalpath.com.au
- Phone: 02 6285 9800

