# Will you have enough information to know if I am ready for surgery?

In most cases, your visit to **IMPACT Center** will provide enough information to the **IMPACT Center** physicians to assess if you are ready for the surgery.

However, sometimes an underlying problem will be identified that needs to be addressed before surgery. When this occurs, arrangements will be made for more testing or medications will be prescribed as necessary.

### Will my surgery be delayed for any reason?

In most cases, surgery will not be delayed. However, even a simple problem like a common cold or a poorly controlled preexisting medical condition such as high blood pressure or diabetes can adversely affect surgical outcomes.

In such instances the **IMPACT Center** provider may adjust your current medications, start new treatment or ask you to follow up with your regular doctor for more treatment. For a few patients, re-evaluation at the **IMPACT Center** may be required prior to surgery.

The **IMPACT Center** will inform you and your surgeon about any conditions that require treatment or medical optimization before surgery.

# What if my medical condition is very complicated or I am not ready for surgery?

The **IMPACT Center** provider will inform you and your surgeon about any conditions that require treatment before surgery. This information becomes part of your medical record and will be referred to throughout your care at the Cleveland Clinic.

If your **IMPACT Center** provider finds that you are not medically optimized for surgery or you have medical conditions that may increase your risk for surgery significantly, then we will discuss your evaluation with your surgeon. Your surgeon can then decide whether surgery is right for you at this time.

#### Please Remember

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the **IMPACT CENTER** at 216.445.9438 or 800.223.2273 ext. 59438.

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For your convenience, pre-surgical medications can be filled at the A Building Crile Pharmacy located on the second floor

Pharmacy hours:

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Accepts most major insurance Phone: 440.445.7400

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