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The Patient Relations/Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) Department provides confidential on the spot advice, information and support to patients, relatives, friends and carers.

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## Ask 3 Questions



Become more involved in decisions about your healthcare. You may be asked to make choices about your treatment. To begin with, try to make sure you get the answers to three key questions:

1. What are my options?
2. What are the pros and cons of each option for me?
3. How do I get support to help me make a decision that is right for me?

## How We Use Your Information

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# Discharge Advice following Elective Cardioversion

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## Following Elective Cardioversion, the following advice should be taken

- You should be accompanied home and have a friend or relative to stay with you over night.
- Do not drink alcohol for 48 hours following the procedure
- It is advisable not to sign any important documentation for the next 24 hours.
- Refrain from heavy activity or exercise for two to three days.
- You must not drive any vehicle/motorcycle for 48 hours.
- An out-patients appointment for an ECG (heart trace) will be sent to you in the post.

- Any change in medication following your procedure will be discussed with you by your discharging nurse.
- A letter will be sent to your GP detailing your procedure and any medication changes
- If you have any queries about your cardioversion, medication, or symptoms before your next appointment, please contact the Arrhythmia Specialist Nurse secretary on telephone 01942 264067

**You will be assessed for burns to your chest wall before you leave the department. If a prescription for cream is required, this will be issued to you prior to your discharge.**

Please use this space to write notes or reminders