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Disclaimer: This publication is not intended to take the place of your discussion with your child's doctor about the need for surgery. If you have questions about the procedure, possible alternatives, or insurance coverage, please do not hesitate to ask your child's surgeon.

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Notes:

Write down some of the things you may want to bring to the hospital.

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Don't forget to create a playlist, pack a favorite book, or bring a cozy blanket :)



E Complete TEEN GUIDE

to Robotic-Assisted Surgery



Facing surgery can be scary, but fear not - technology is here to make the process smoother than ever before. So, let's get you back to doing what you love ASAP!

YOU'RE NOT ALONE.

You're not alone. Each year, **nearly four million kids and teens**¹ undergo a surgical procedure in the U.S. alone. It's normal to feel anxious about surgery, and it's okay to express your feelings to the medical team. They're here to support you every step of the way!

What is Robotic-Assisted Surgery?

Robotic-assisted surgery allows doctors to perform many types of procedures with precision, flexibility, and control. Your doctor uses the Senhance Surgical System, which includes a camera and mechanical arms that have surgical instruments attached to them. The surgeon controls the arms while seated at a computer console near the operating table.

Senhance's movements mimic your doctor's movements and allow him or her to view areas that are difficult to access. Best of all? Your doctor is in control the entire time!





Benefits of Minimally Invasive Surgery

- Less Invasive: Smaller incisions mean less pain and smaller scars than traditional surgery great news for active teens like you!
- Quicker Recovery: With less trauma to your body, you'll be back in the game sooner.

On Your Mark

Get Ready: Ask questions and learn about your specific procedure. Knowledge is power!

Get Set: Follow pre-surgery instructions diligently. The better prepared you are, the smoother the process.

Get Better: Participate actively in your post-surgery rehabilitation. Get the rest you need so you can start feeling better soon!

Prep Talk: Your surgeon will give you the scoop on what to expect before and after surgery.

Support Squad: Have your family, friends, and pets ready to cheer you on.

Recovery Zone: Download a new game, grab some extra pillows, and order in. Creating your own post-surgery sanctuary!

¹Rabbitts JA, Groenewa Id CB. Epidemiology of Pediatric Surgery in the United States. Paediatr Anaesth. 2020 Oct;30(10):1083-1090. doi: 10.1111 / pan.13993. Epub 2020 Au g 29. PMID: 32777147; PMCID: PMC7891905.

You want answers? We've got you covered!

: Will I be alone with the robot during surgery?

: Absolutely not! A skilled surgeon will be in the room with you controlling the Senhance Surgical System. In addition, you'll have a dedicated OR team by your side!

: Can the robot operate by itself?

: No, your surgeon is in charge the entire time. In fact he or she has undergone extensive training to use the robotic system effectively, ensuring your safety and well-being.

Keep the conversation flowing!

Don't be shy! Your surgical team wants to make sure you feel comfortable and confident about the whole process. Write down your questions to ask at your next visit.

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