

## ESTIMATE OF FEES INFORMATION SHEET

The following information explains what you need to know about the cost of your Day Surgery admission. You will be advised of any out-of-pocket expenses payable to Wollongong Day Surgery prior to your procedure date.

### Certification

I understand that the amount quoted is an estimate only and may change.

I also understand that should my health insurer or workers compensation insurer not cover the actual charges for any reason whatsoever or I do not have private health insurance, I will be liable for all hospital incurred costs. The hospital reserves the right to include any debt collection, debt agency fees and legal fees as a cost payable by the patient should debt recovery be required.

### Cosmetic Surgery

Should your insurer deem that your procedure is cosmetic or state for any reason that it does not meet the rules and requirements of the Medicare Benefits Schedule relating to the item numbers then you agree to be responsible for the payment of the hospital account. We recommend that you confirm with your health fund and that they provide you with an approval for the proposed treatment in writing prior to your surgery.

### Additional Charges

Other services will be billed separately to your hospital account and may include: Doctor's fees (E.g. surgeon, anaesthetist, assistant, pathology), allied health and ambulance fees. Your doctor should discuss the use of any prosthesis involved with your surgery.

If your fund does not cover the full cost of the prosthetics you will be charged a gap payment.

### Diagnostic Accounts

Services such as Pathology and X-rays will be billed separately to your hospital account and may be claimable from Medicare and your private health fund. However, the rebate may not cover the full cost of services provided.

### Pharmacy

Any discharge medication that is required for your procedure will be payable to Wollongong Day Surgery. A deposit may be collected at admission.

### Property Disclaimer

Neither Wollongong Day Surgery or its employees or agents shall be responsible or liable in any way whatsoever for any loss or damage for any reason including but not limited to negligence, omission, delay or failure on the part of Wollongong Day Surgery, its employees or agents which result in loss, destruction or damage to the patients personal property whilst the patient is on the hospitals premises. This includes personal property deposited for safe keeping. No employee or agent of Wollongong Day Surgery shall be authorised to vary or waive this condition.

