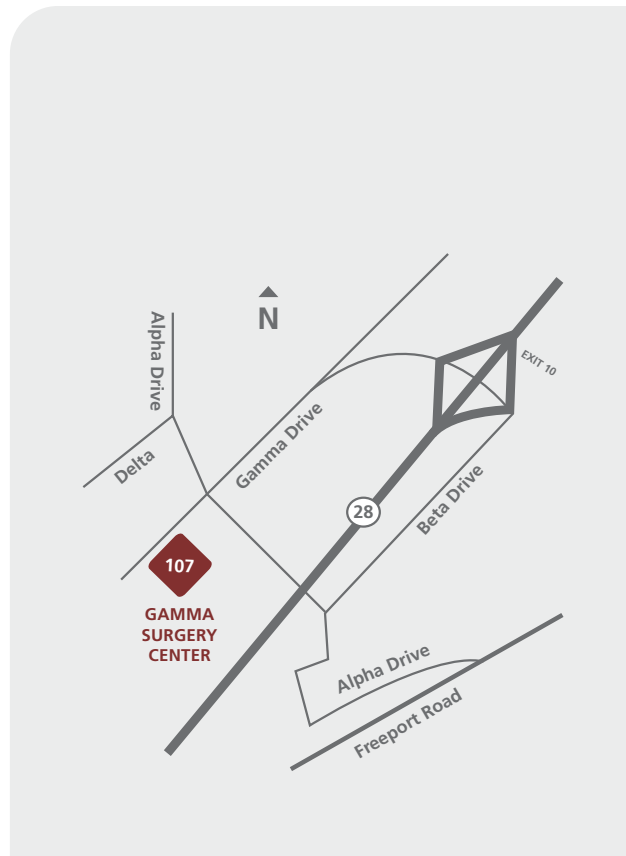


Insurance and Billing

- Please bring your insurance card(s), any related forms you might have and a personal identification card.
- If you are a Medicare patient, make sure you bring your Medicare card with you.
- Once your insurance has been verified, you will be required to pay your co-pay on or before the day of your appointment.
- If you are a self-pay patient, we require that you pay for your service on or before the date of your appointment. We accept MasterCard, Visa and Discover.
- We will bill your insurance on your behalf; however, anything not covered by your insurance will be your responsibility to pay. If you have questions about financial arrangements, please call us at (412) 963-7917.

We at Gamma Surgery Center will do our best by working with you to make appropriate financial arrangements; however, these arrangements must be finalized before the date of your appointment and approved by our Administrator. Please call us at (412) 963-7917 with questions or for additional information.



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Patient Information

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Important Patient Information

Thank you for choosing Gamma Surgery Center for your upcoming surgical procedure. We're looking forward to treating you.

Before your scheduled appointment, please read over this brochure carefully. If you have any questions, please call us at (412) 963-7917.

Preparing for Your Procedure

Please arrive 1 hour before your scheduled appointment. Doing so gives us time to verify your medical information and provide you with details concerning your procedure. It also gives you time to meet with the physician performing your procedure and ask him any questions you might have. In the event of a medical need, you may require admission to the hospital.

Before Your Procedure

- One of our nurses will call you to go over instructions and answer any questions.
- Let us know if you have any allergies to food, medications and/or latex.
- Wear loose, comfortable clothing.
- Bring with you a list of any medications or herbal supplements you're taking and their dosages.
- If you will be receiving sedation:
 - > Do not eat or drink anything for 8 hours prior to your procedure.
 - > Do not plan on going to work after your procedure.
 - > Plan on a responsible adult driving you home after your procedure. You cannot take a taxi home alone. If you don't have a responsible adult to drive you home, we will have to cancel your procedure for your safety.
- If you need transportation arrangements made for you, please call us at (412) 963-7917 before your appointment and we will try to accommodate you.
- Do not take any Diuretics the day of your procedure. Follow your pre-operative physician's orders for the medications you can take the day of your procedure and take them with a small sip of water.
- Call us at (412) 963-7917 and ask to speak with one of our nurses if you:
 - > Have diabetes
 - > Are being treated with blood thinners (Plavis, Coumadin or Heparin)
 - > Have an active infection
 - > May be pregnant
 - > Have questions of any kind

The physician who refers you to our Surgery Center may have an ownership interest in this facility. You are free to choose another facility in which to receive services.

After Your Procedure

- If you received sedation for your procedure, you will need to bring a responsible adult with you. You should also rest the remainder of the day. Although you may feel normal, your reflexes and mental ability may be impaired.
- Do not consume alcohol, drive, operate machinery or make important personal or business decisions for 24 hours. The effects of anesthesia can last for more than 24 hours.
- Follow your physician's post-operative orders as directed.
- Drink plenty of fluids and progress to your normal diet as tolerated unless otherwise instructed by your physician.
- You may resume your regular medication schedule unless otherwise instructed by your physician.
- Call us if you experience any of the following:
 - > Fever over 101 degrees
 - > Excessive pain or swelling
 - > Excessive drainage or bleeding
 - > Continued nausea or vomiting
 - > An unexpected reaction to medication

* This facility has agreed to comply with the provisions of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act and all requirements imposed pursuant thereto to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, religious creed, or disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or otherwise be subject to discrimination in the provision of any care or service.

* The center does not provide services to patients under 18 years of age.