

Surgery Services

Akron City Hospital

Patient Comfort Comes First

It's a new way to think about surgery. Imagine a place where your patient's comfort is built right in to every facet of the center. A unique, patient-centered building designed with kindness, privacy and comfort in mind.

Doctors are able to move easily between family waiting areas and surgical suites for frequent updates. And, the surgical pavilion has secluded consultation rooms for decisions, relief of emotions, and private exits for patients who may not be comfortable with leaving through an entrance where others are present. A dedicated parking lot is adjacent to the surgical pavilion, making access as effortless as possible for surgical patients and their families.

Family Support Is Important

The surgical pavilion features rooms for your patients and their loved ones to stay together for support and comfort as long as possible. Families are welcomed into pre-op and post-op rooms, to comfort and help alleviate some of the patient's fears.

Pagers are available for waiting family members to provide them with the peace of mind that they will not miss the opportunity to talk with the surgeon, even if they have briefly left the waiting area. This ensures that they will receive immediate notification upon the conclusion of surgery, so they can get ready to meet with the surgeon.

And, the family waiting area is equipped with adjacent restrooms and a vending area where loved ones can get food and drinks while remaining close by for support and updates. For a meal or something more substantial than a vending-machine snack, a full-service cafeteria is also available.



An Innovative Way to Look at SameDay Surgery

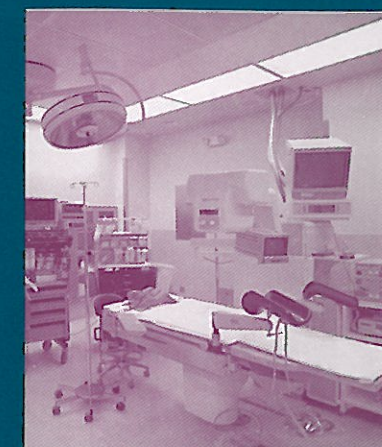
This phenomenal surgical pavilion is a \$22 million, 74,000 square-foot, three-story facility with 30 pre-op and post-op beds. Created to provide the most technologically advanced surgical environment in Akron, it also strives to meet the personal needs of both the patients and their families.

Instead of the traditional central staff station, the new surgical pavilion features five satellite stations, putting staff closer to the patients, and creating a quieter, less crowded and more soothing environment. It features a pre-admission testing area with 10 exam rooms fully equipped for X-rays, lab work and EKGs. This allows patients to undergo pre-surgery testing a day ahead, which helps to ease some of the anxiety of the surgery day.

16 Specialized Surgical Suites

The surgical pavilion features 16 state-of-the-art surgical suites, including:

- A suite specifically dedicated to urological procedures, with a state-of-the-art urology table that provides unparalleled diagnostic X-ray imaging;
- Open-heart suites designed to accommodate the extra monitoring equipment and space requirements for delicate procedures; and
- A new trauma suite, to support Summa's level I trauma verification, the first level I rated trauma center in Akron.



Each year, the experienced surgeons at Summa's Akron City Hospital perform more than 13,000 surgical procedures, the most common being laparoscopies, laparoscopic cholecystectomies and cystoscopies. St. Thomas Hospital performed more than 5,500 surgical procedures, the most common being total knee replacements, spine procedures and arthroscopies. In addition, more than 2,500 ophthalmological surgeries were performed at the Outpatient Surgery Center at St. Thomas Hospital.