

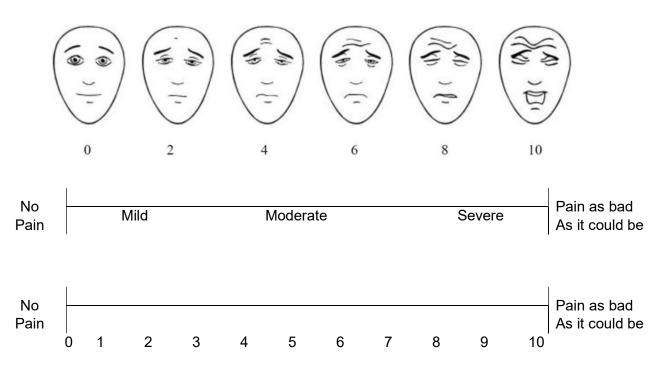
Having an anaesthetic?

Fact sheet – Pain relieving medication

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Pain relieving medication will be given to help reduce pain after your operation.

The nurses will ask you to score your pain from 0 - 10. This helps them manage your pain relief after the procedure.



It is important that you have adequate pain relief.

This will help you to take deep breaths and move comfortably, sit out of bed and start walking soon after your operation.

This will help minimise the risk of chest infections, clots in the legs and loss of strength in your muscles and improve your recovery following your operation.



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