

CARE INSTRUCTIONS

ativan (lorazepam) oral anxiolysis

pre-op and post-op instructions

1. You **MUST** have a ride to and from your appointment. You are welcome to have a friend or family member stay with you anytime during your visit.
2. Your doctor will provide you with a prescription to fill at your pharmacy before your appointment. Take the medication as prescribed 1 hour before your scheduled appointment time.
3. Do not drink alcohol, take any recreational drugs, or take any other sedative prescription medication in the 24 hours before your appointment. These may be dangerous because they can affect how you react to the sedative medication.
4. A responsible adult must be with you from the time you take the medication until you recover from the effects of the medication, regardless of your level of alertness.
5. After your appointment, you may be sleepy and lethargic for the rest of the day.
6. You should not drive or operate heavy machinery for at least 12 hours following your appointment. Your judgment may be impaired for several hours following your appointment; do not make any critical decisions until you fully recover.