

Anaesthesia for the elderly

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Addressing Anesthesia Concerns

The most important thing you can do to reduce risks of anesthesia is talk to your physician or surgeon to be sure your anesthesia care is led by a physician anesthesiologist. Appropriate management and adherence to instructions can avoid cancellation of surgery and decrease the risk for complications.

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Perioperative care of the elderly

Primary care physicians often refer patients to their surgeon and are aware that a surgery may be indicated. The 1-week and 1-year incidence of POCD may be reduced, using focused anaesthesia intervention treatment of hypoxaemia and hypotension , guided by the depth of anaesthesia and cerebral saturation monitoring.

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This can result in patients arriving for surgery with very high blood pressure and poorly controlled pain.

Risks of Surgery and Anesthesia in Elderly Patients

Reduced hepatic clearance leads to an increased recovery time even when given at the correct dose.

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Pain threshold may be increased.

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