

ACHD Patients – What to Expect for Surgery

Patients with adult congenital heart disease (ACHD) have more treatment options today than ever before, but in some cases your condition may require surgery. The UAB Adult Congenital Heart Disease program is the only source in Alabama for congenital heart surgery/cardiology care, featuring leading experts in every field and backed by the most advanced congenital heart research in the state.

All patients referred for ACHD surgery at UAB will receive a personalized treatment plan that combines input from all specialists related to your care, including your ACHD cardiologist, surgeon, interventional cardiologist, and other specialists as needed. We offer a streamlined scheduling process, with convenient appointments for preoperative consults and testing – all of which typically can be done in one visit, if desired. We make every effort to schedule your visit at a time that works best for you.



After your surgery has been scheduled, you will be provided with detailed instructions, directions, and maps to simplify your visit. Once you are admitted, we provide a wide range of comforts and conveniences, including:

- Private hospital rooms with private restrooms
- Hotel-style room service on demand
- Free Wi-Fi/Internet access
- Fold-out beds for family members
- Residential-style furnishings

Our friendly, experienced Guest Services team works 24/7 to further simplify and enhance your stay with us, offering helpful services such as:

- Hotel recommendations & dining suggestions
- Notary public services
- Pastoral care
- Patient advocacy
- Language interpretation
- Transportation
- Music & pet therapy

The UAB Adult Congenital Heart Disease program is committed to making your stay with us as comfortable and convenient as possible. If you have any questions or need special arrangements, please don't hesitate to contact us at (205) 934-3368.