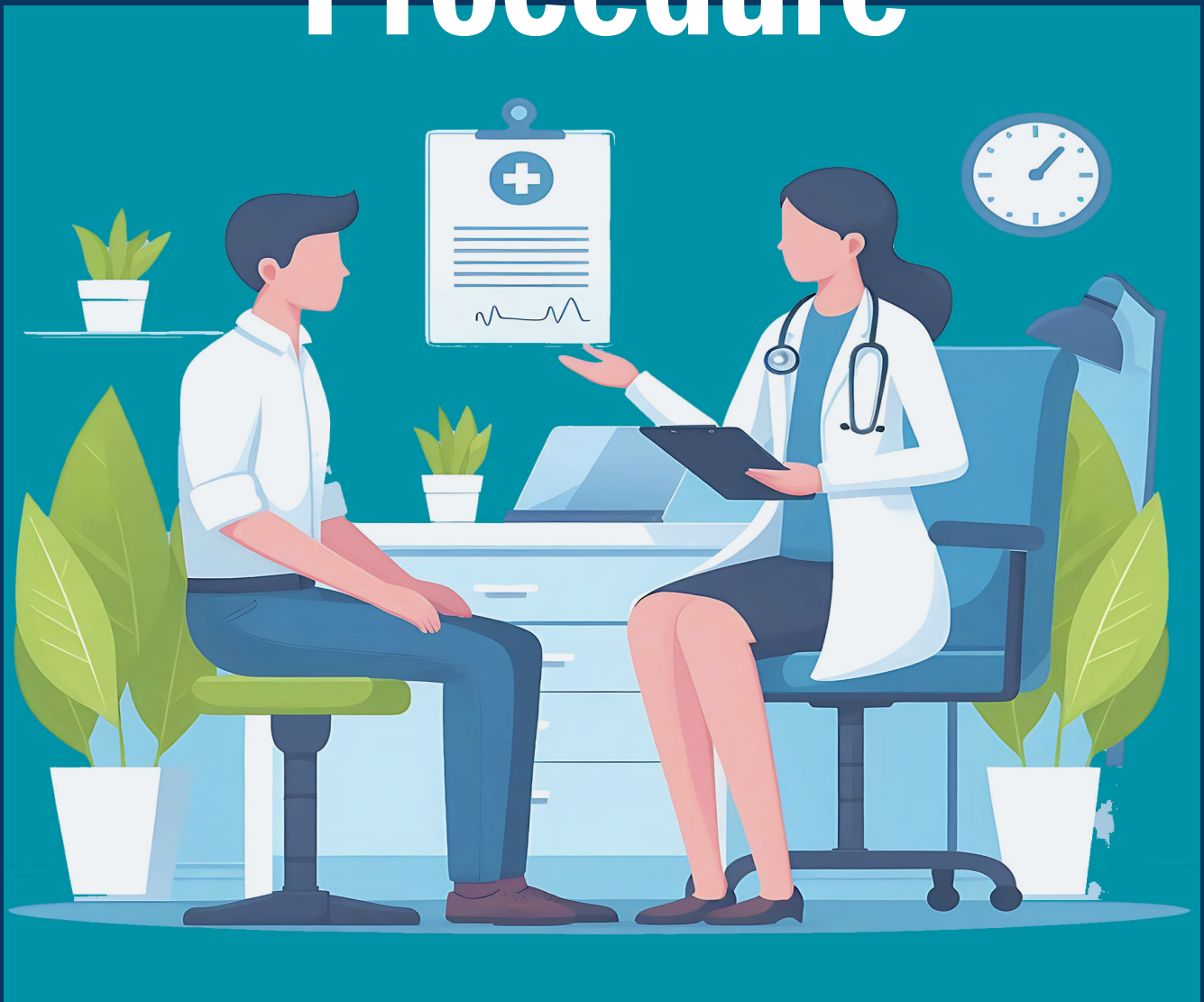# Your Role in a Safe Procedure

Patient Information Leaflet

Your Involvement is Important

When you have a medical procedure, it's important that you are involved in making sure everything goes smoothly and safely.

This leaflet will help you understand how you can take part in your own care.

Understanding the Process

Before your procedure, your healthcare team will explain everything that will happen.

They will also go over important safety steps. These steps help make sure you get the best care possible.

Speak Up if You Have Concerns

SPEAK UP

If something doesn't seem right to you or you have questions, don't be afraid to speak up.

It's important that you feel comfortable asking about anything you're unsure of.

Feeling Nervous is Normal

It's completely normal to feel nervous or even a bit confused before a procedure. Medical words and an unfamiliar environment can be overwhelming.

Your healthcare team is there to support you and explain things in a way you can understand.

Working Together for a Safe Procedure

Safety during your procedure is a team effort between you and the healthcare professionals. You have an important role in this.
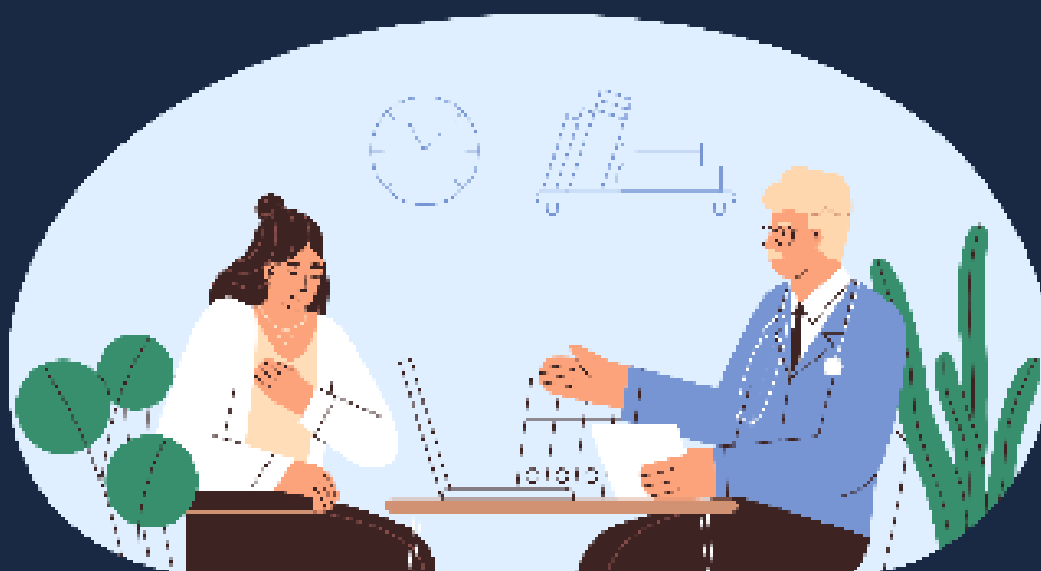
There are steps you can help with, such as:

Consent | Making sure you understand what will happen and giving your permission.

Site Marking | Helping to confirm the correct area of your body for the procedure has been clearly marked.

Sign in | Being part of the final checks before the procedure begins.

These steps are designed to keep you safe and should make you feel more confident about your care.

Your Active Role

You have a key part to play in ensuring that everything goes as planned. Where possible, your healthcare team will prepare and help you to be involved in the safety checks.

Remember, your voice is important.
By participating in the process, you help create a safer experience for yourself and others.

For More Information

Scan the QR code below to access the Centre for Perioperative Care (CPOC) patient information pages.