

Surgery Centers vs. Large Hospitals

There are several advantages to receiving surgery at a Surgery Center rather than a large, generalized hospital. Here's why many patients opt for this setting:



Specialized Care & Expertise

Surgery Centers focus on specialized procedures, so staff and surgeons often have higher levels of expertise in the surgeries that they perform.



Lower Risk of Infection

Hospitals treat a wide range of illnesses, increasing the risk of infections. Surgery Centers only perform elective procedures, limiting this risk.



Faster Procedures & Recovery

Since Surgery Centers don't deal with emergency cases, patients experience shorter wait times for procedures and are typically discharged quickly.



Cost Efficiency

Surgery Centers typically charge less than hospitals for the same procedure due to lower overhead costs. Quality of care is not sacrificed—it is often even improved.

Below is a pricing comparison for an actual hospital and surgery center.

Facility	Colonoscopy	Knee Replacement
Large Hospital	\$2,325	\$34,403
Surgery Center	\$1,010	\$19,716