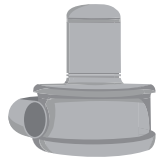


VAD* Surgery: What to Expect?

DAY OF VAD* SURGERY



Time in operating room

6–14 hours



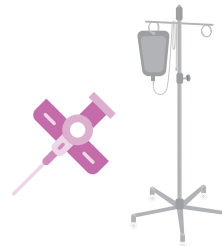
THINGS TO EXPECT IN THE INTENSIVE CARE UNIT (ICU)



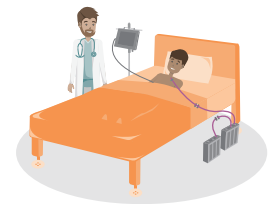
Noise



Pain at incision
(wound) and
tubing sites

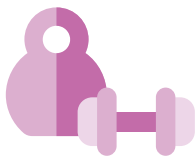


Lots of poles,
pumps and
tubing



Lots of providers
taking care of you
both day and night

THINGS TO EXPECT AS YOU RECOVER



Increase your activity level
and get stronger



Decrease your pain
and feel better



Prepare for next steps
in your journey