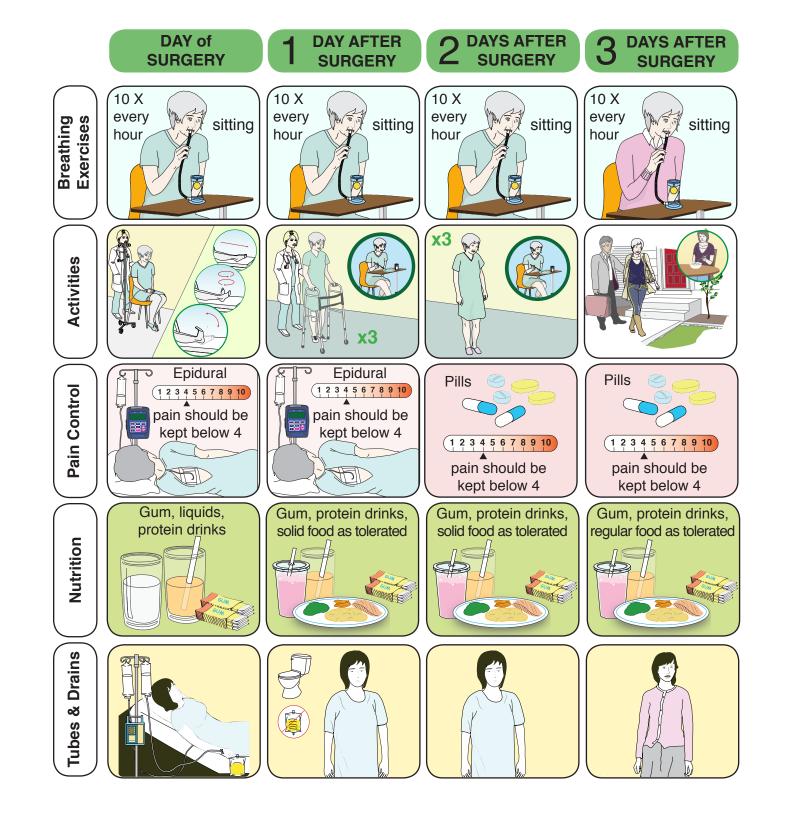
## Path to Home Guide: Bowel Surgery

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	Day of surgery	1 Day after Surgery	2 Days after Surgery	3 Days after Surgery
Breathing Exercises	Do breathing exercises	Do breathing exercises	Do breathing exercises	Do breathing exercises
Activities	<ul> <li>Do leg exercises</li> <li>Sit in a chair with help</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sit in a chair for meals</li> <li>Walk in the hallway 3 times, with help</li> <li>Be out of bed for a total of 8 hours</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sit in a chair for meals</li> <li>Walk in the hallway 3 times</li> <li>Be out of bed for a total of 8 hours</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sit in a chair for meals</li> <li>Be out of bed for a total of 8 hours</li> <li>Go home today</li> </ul>
Pain Control	<ul> <li>May have an epidural infusion for pain</li> <li>Tell my nurse if pain reaches 4/10 on the pain scale</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>May have an epidural infusion for pain</li> <li>Tell my nurse if pain reaches 4/10 on the pain scale</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Start taking pills for pain</li> <li>Have epidural catheter removed if my pain is controlled</li> <li>Tell my nurse if pain reaches 4/10 on the pain scale</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tell my nurse if pain reaches 4/10 on the pain scale</li> </ul>
Nutrition	<ul> <li>Drink liquids and protein drinks as tolerated</li> <li>Chew gum for 30 minutes</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Drink liquids, including protein drinks</li> <li>Eat solid food as tolerated</li> <li>Chew gum for 30 minutes, 3 times/day</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Drink liquids, including protein drinks</li> <li>Eat solid food as tolerated</li> <li>Chew gum for 30 minutes, 3 times/day</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Drink liquids, including protein drinks</li> <li>Eat regular food as tolerated</li> <li>Chew gum for 30 minutes, 3 times/day</li> </ul>
Tubes & Lines	<ul> <li>I may have:</li> <li>Oxygen mask or prongs (removed today)</li> <li>Intravenous line</li> <li>Epidural catheter</li> <li>Urinary catheter</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>My urinary catheter may be removed today</li> <li>My intravenous fluid may be stopped today</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>My urinary catheter will be removed today, if it wasn't removed yesterday</li> <li>My intravenous fluid will be stopped today</li> <li>My epidural catheter will be removed and my pain will be managed with pills</li> </ul>	• None