



Dr Peter Stark

MBBS (Hons), BMedSc (Hons), FANZCA

Specialist Anaesthetist

My name is Dr Peter Stark, and I will be the anaesthetist for your upcoming procedure with Mr Raymond Yap.

My Professional History

I regularly anaesthetise for a wide range of surgical specialities in both the public and private settings. My particular interests are in anaesthesia for trauma, general, orthopaedic, plastic, vascular, neuro, ophthalmic and obstetric surgery. In addition to this I have a strong interest in perioperative medicine.

Following the completion of my undergraduate medical studies at Monash University, I undertook anaesthetic training at the Alfred Hospital. This included rotations at the Royal Children's, Mercy, Box Hill and Geelong hospitals. I continue to work at the Alfred and a number of other public hospitals as a specialist anaesthetist and I regularly participate in registrar teaching and the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists (ANZCA) Continuing Professional Development (CPD) program.

I am a member of the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists (ANZCA), Australian Society of Anaesthetists (ASA).

Your Surgery

Prior to your surgery, I will conduct a pre-anaesthetic consultation. We will discuss any changes to your medication in the lead up to surgery, pain management strategies, peri-operative plan, fasting instructions and any other concerns that you may have. If you need to speak to me earlier, please contact my rooms on (03) 8573 3500. As I may be in theatre, a message will be taken, and I will contact you as soon as I am available.

Please be reassured that Australian anaesthetists have world class training in anaesthesia, pain management, resuscitation and managing medical emergencies. Our hospitals and surgical theatres are well equipped. We have the capacity to ensure that you have a safe peri-operative journey.

(Cont'd)

FEES FOR ANAESTHETIC SERVICES – DR PETER STARK

The fee for your anaesthetic is billed separately and is in addition to Mr Raymond Yap's fees and any hospital charges.

Patients with Private Health Insurance

Depending upon the operation, the insurer and your level of cover, "out-of-pocket" expenses can vary along with the way fees can be processed. Where applicable, my rooms will bill your insurer directly to contribute to the costs of my fees. Please note that this is not permitted by all funds or available for all procedures; where this is not applicable, my office will bill you directly for the full fee and issue you with a receipt after your fees have been paid. You may then be able to claim a portion of the fee from Medicare and your private health fund.

Patients without Private Health Insurance

Patients self-funding their surgery are required to prepay the total fee no later than one business day prior to their procedure. Payment can be made either by bank transfer or using a credit/debit card; card payments can be made online using the digital invoice sent to you from my rooms, or over the phone on (03) 8573 3500.

After your procedure, my rooms will send you a receipt that you can use to claim a benefit from Medicare.

Obtaining a Fee Estimate

My rooms will endeavour to send you a quote in a timely manner before your surgery date, however if you wish to be provided with a quote earlier, you can use one of the options below to obtain an estimate. This will also allow me to provide you with important information about the anaesthesia for your procedure:

- Contact my rooms on (03) 8573 3500 to request that a quote is sent to you.

OR

- Email my rooms at the address below and they will send you a quote by return email.

To: ifc@vag.com.au

Subject: Quote Request

Please include the following information in the body of your email:

- 1. Anaesthetist's Name:** Dr Peter Stark
 - 2. Your Surgeon's Name:** Mr Raymond Yap
 - 3. Procedure Date:**
 - 4. Procedure Name:** ** If you aren't sure, ask your surgeon's rooms
 - 5. Patient's Name:** ** As it may be someone other than the sender
 - 6. Patient's Date of Birth:**
 - 7. Contact Number and Address:** ** As it may be someone other than the sender
 - 8. Medicare Number:** ** Including Individual Reference Number
 - 9. Private Health Insurer Details:** ** Fund name and membership number
- Pension Card Number:** ** If applicable