

COLONOSCOPY INSTRUCTIONS FOR MOVIPREP

If you have a history of constipation (move your bowels 2-3 times weekly) you may need additional bowel prep to help clear your colon. Please contact the intake nurse to discuss prep options.

STEP 1 7 DAYS BEFORE PROCEDURE

- Stop oral iron and any oral products that contain iron.
- Avoid foods that contain Olestra/Olean (ex: fat free potato chips).
- Avoid foods that have seeds, nuts, lettuce, cabbage, corn and beans.
- Stop fiber supplements.
- Pick up the prep at the pharmacy. **DO NOT FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE PHARMACY.**
- If taking Plavix, Effient, Aggrenox, or any blood thinning medication (except aspirin), please check with your prescribing physician to see if you can hold this medication for 7 days prior to procedure, unless otherwise instructed. You should start on aspirin 81 mg daily once you hold the above medication.

If diabetic, please contact your primary care doctor regarding instructions for diabetic medication while on the clear liquid diet.

STEP 2 5 DAYS BEFORE PROCEDURE

- If taking Coumdin (warfarin), Pradaxa, Eliquis, or Xarelto please check with your prescribing physician to see if you can hold this medication for 5 days prior to procedure, unless otherwise instructed.
- You may take aspirin.

STEP 3 1 DAY BEFORE PROCEDURE ALL DAY

- Stay on clear liquid diet the entire day (no solid food on this day).
- Drink 8 ounces of clear liquids every hour starting at 6 a.m. This is not the prep solution
- Mix (l) pouch A and (l) pouch B into disposable container included in box from pharmacy. Add lukewarm water to the top fill line. Mix to dissolve, place in fridge.
- Do not consume any products containing red dye. No pulp.

Liquids allowed: Regular or Decaffeinated Tea or Coffee (NO DAIRY PRODUCTS OR DAIRY SUBSTITUTES). Any carbonated beverages. Kool-Aid, Gatorades and sport drinks, 100% Fruit Juices, Jell-O (DO NOT ADD FRUIT, VEGETABLES OR DAIRY PRODUCTS.), Popsicles (Plain, not creamy or fruity) Sugar, Honey, Fat Free Broth or Bouillon. If you are diabetic, you may drink up to 3 cans of Ensure, Boost or Glucerna shakes per day.

STEP 4 1 DAY BEFORE PROCEDURE STARTING AT 6 PM

- Drink 8 ounces of prep solution every 15 minutes until container is empty.
- If you have trouble drinking the solution, please slow down, we don't want you to throw up prep. It is very important that all the solution is drank and retained.
- Prep may cause chills after drinking it.
- Mix 2nd liter of Moviprep, place in fridge.

STEP 5 DAY OF PROCEDURE

- 6 hours before your colonoscopy is scheduled, drink the 2nd liter of prep. Drink 8 ounces every 15 minutes. (Very Important) It is important to drink the second dose on the day of your procedure as it cleans out your colon better and will help us to identify polyps.
- PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE LOOKING AT EVERY STOOL.** Stools should appear watery clear or yellow in color with no sediment.

4 HOURS BEFORE YOUR PROCEDURE, DO NOT DRINK ANY FURTHER FLUIDS.

- 2 hours before your procedure, take heart and blood pressure medication with a small sip of water.
- Please do not apply lotions, perfumes or cologne the morning of your procedure.
- **Females may be required to do a urine pregnancy test prior to the procedure. Please inquire (about test) at the desk upon arrival or before using the restroom.**

TIPS FOR IMPROVED BOWEL PREP:

- Bowel prep solutions taste best well-chilled.
 - You may add Crystal Light or tea bag to mask the taste.
 - If lukewarm liquids are preferred, remove the dose from refrigerator for 15-30 minutes before drinking.
 - Drink the whole dose quickly rather than sipping small amounts
 - Try drinking the bowel prep solution through a straw
 - Rinse mouth with water, clear soda, or mouthwash after drinking
 - Suck on hard candy or lollipops (No red or purple)
- TO AVOID A SORE BOTTOM FROM FREQUENT BOWEL MOVEMENTS:**
- Apply diaper rash cream/zinc oxide LIBERALLY after each trip to the bathroom
 - Avoid rubbing; gently pat area with wet washcloth or pre-moistened wipe or rinse with water
 - Wipe with refrigerated Tucks or Fleet relief pads (available over the counter)
 - Have reading material handy in the bathroom, MP3 player, iPod, etc.