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Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Procedure Time: \_\_\_\_\_

**COLONOSCOPY USING TRILYTE/NULYTELY/GOLYTELY PREP: PLEASE FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS, NOT WHAT'S IN THE BOTTLE**

A colonoscopy is a procedure that examines the large intestine with a flexible fiberoptic instrument. The doctor is looking for any abnormalities in the colon and may take biopsies. This procedure takes between 20 and 30 minutes. However, with admission and recovery, you should plan to be in the facility for at least 1.5 hours (Barrington) up to 3 hours (hospital).

**IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT...**

1. You bring your ID, insurance card, and a list of medications (including dosages) to your appointment.
2. You will not be allowed to drive home after the procedure due to sedation. Therefore, you will need an adult to take it home. You may NOT use public transportation, any taxi, Uber, car service, or leave the Endoscopy Center alone.

**\*STOP 14 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROCEDURE:**

If you are taking any diet pills such as: Fenfluramine, Dexfenfluramine or Phentermine, stop taking those **2 weeks prior** to your colonoscopy. Failure to stop these medications may result in having to reschedule your procedure the day of.

**\*STOP 7 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROCEDURE:**

If you take GLP-1 Meds- Ozempic, Wegovy, Rybelsus, Trulicity, Byetta, Bydureon BCise, Saxenda, Victoza, Mounjaro or any other weekly injectables for weight loss / diabetes, you must contact your prescriber to stop this medication 7 days before your procedure. You may resume the medication after the procedure. If you have not stopped these medications 7 days prior, your procedure **WILL** be canceled per anesthesia. Daily diabetic medication instructions are under 1 day before/day of procedure section.

**\*STOP 5 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROCEDURE:**

Excedrin, Ibuprofen, Advil, Motrin, Aleve, Naprosyn, Naproxen, Celebrex, Celecoxib, Mobic, Meloxicam, Relafen, Nabumetone. Stop all herbal medications, supplements, and vitamins 5 days prior to your procedure. **\*\*Tylenol is okay to take.**

Blood thinning medications including, Coumadin, Warfarin, Plavix, Xarelto, Pradaxa, Effient, Aggrenox, Eliquis or Brilinta must be stopped prior to your procedure as directed by the prescribing physician. Our office will send a request, but it is ultimately the **patients responsibility** to also know if they are able to be off the blood thinner or not.

**\*\*\*You may continue to take a low dose (81mg) Aspirin.**

**\*STOP SGLT-2 INHIBITOR MEDICATIONS 4 DAYS PRIOR TO YOUR PROCEDURE:**

Invokana (Canagliflozin), Farxiga (Dapagliflozin), Jardiance (Empagliflozin), Steglatro (ertugliflozin), Brenzavvy (Bexaglifoxin). Failure to stop these medications **WILL** result in a rescheduled procedure per anesthesia.

## **FOODS TO AVOID 4 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROCEDURE:**

Fresh fruits with seeds, raw vegetables (steamed/cooked vegetables are okay), nuts, popcorn, seeds, whole grain bread, whole wheat pasta, lentils, beans and corn. (You may have peeled apples, pears, or peaches. **Do not eat the skins.**)

## **1 DAY BEFORE YOUR COLONOSCOPY:**

- If you are **diabetic and on oral medication (Metformin, Starlix, Prandin, Glipizide, Tradjenta, Januvia, Nesina, Avandia, Oseni, etc)**: Take only half the usual dose the day BEFORE the procedure. **Do not take** your diabetic medication on the day of your procedure. You may take your medication when the procedure is over and you are able to eat.
- ✓ You will be on a limited diet the entire day. Allowed dairy and liquids listed below.
- ✓ Allowed dairy products: Eggs, milk (including soy, rice or almond), plain cheese (no cottage cheese), vanilla ice cream, plain or vanilla yogurt (without fruit, nuts or granola)
- ✓ Allowed clear Liquids: mineral, bubbly or plain water, Gatorade, apple juice, white grape juice, ginger ale, clear broth or bouillon (without veggies, meats or rice), Jell-o, all carbonated and noncarbonated soft drinks, plain popsicles, coffee and tea. Avoid all liquids or popsicles with red or purple dyes.
- ✓ You must start to hydrate yourself, which means you must start to drink extra fluids.
- ✓ **DO NOT DRINK: tomato juice, orange juice, grapefruit juice, protein, or drinks with fiber in them. NO beer, wine or alcohol is allowed. Nothing with Red or Purple Dyes.**
- ✓ with red or purple tints.

### **AT 6 PM:**

- ✓ Start drinking the preparation solution, an 8-ounce glass every 10-20 minutes until 2 liters (half the bottle) are gone. Put the other half in the refrigerator until morning. You may only have water or clear liquids (a liquid you can see through) after taking this preparation. No food, coffee or jelly. You should finish 2 liters of the preparation solution tonight.

## **DAY OF COLONOSCOPY:**

- ✓ **Start drinking the preparation solution 5 hours before your test( \_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_)** Drink one 8-ounce glass every 10 minutes until one liter is finished. **It should be finished in 1 hour. If your stools are not all liquid and a light or yellowish color at this point, continue to drink the rest of the solution.** You should finish drinking your preparation **at least 3 hours** before the time of the procedure. **NOTHING BY MOUTH, NO FOOD OR DRINK BEYOND THIS POINT.**
- **You may take any medications prescribed for your heart, blood pressure, asthma, seizure disorder or thyroid with a small sip of water 4 hours prior to your scheduled procedure time.**
- **If you are diabetic and on insulin: Test your blood sugar before you come for your colonoscopy. Take only half of your usual dose of insulin on the day of your procedure.**



After you finish this portion of the prep, **you may NOT have any liquids or solids by mouth. NO FOOD, FLUID, GUM, MINTS, OR CANDY IS ALLOWED UNTIL AFTER THE PROCEDURE.** You will be rescheduled if you do not follow these instructions.