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

**COLONOSCOPY USING TRILYTE/NULYTELY/GOLYTELY CONSTIPATION PREP: PLEASE, ONLY FOLLOW THESE DIRECTIONS NOT WHAT IS ON 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 about 20 to 30 minutes. With intake and recovery however, you must plan to be at 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 yourself home after the procedure due to the sedation. Therefore, you will need an adult to drive you home. You may **NOT** use public transportation. **If you do not have a ride, your procedure will be cancelled.**

**\*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.**

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**\*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 grain pasta, lentils, beans and corn. (You may have apples, pears or peaches that are peeled. **(Don't eat the skins)**)

## **PURCHASE THESE NONPRESCRIPTION ITEMS BEFORE YOUR COLONOSCOPY:**

- Dulcolax: 4 tablets (5mg Each) Laxative (not stool softener)
- Magnesium Citrate 1 bottle (lemon lime 10 oz)

## **2 DAYS BEFORE YOUR COLONOSCOPY:**

- ✓ Eat your last meal at 6 PM. After that you are on a clear liquid diet.
- ✓ 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. (No milk or sugar)

## **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 must start to hydrate yourself, which means you must start to drink extra fluids especially fluids with electrolytes like: Pedialyte, Gatorade (No red or purple), Propel, or Liquid IV.
- ✓ **DO NOT DRINK: tomato juice, orange juice, grapefruit juice, protein or drinks with fiber in them. NO beer, wine or alcohol is allowed. Avoid red and purple Dyes.**

### **AT 10 AM:**

- ✓ Take (2) Dulcolax tablet (5mg Tablet = 10mg total)

### **AT 4 PM:**

- ✓ Take 1 bottle of magnesium Citrate

### **AT 8 PM:**

- ✓ Take (2) Dulcolax tablet (5mg Tablet = 10mg total)

### **AT 8:30 PM:**

- ✓ Start drinking the prep solution, one 8-ounce glass every 10 minutes until 2 liters (half of the bottle) is gone. Put the other half in the refrigerator until morning. You may only have water or clear liquids (a fluid you can see through) after taking this prep. No food or coffee.
- ✓ You **MUST** drink more solution in the morning even if your stool is clear.

## **DAY OF COLONOSCOPY:**

- ✓ **Start drinking the prep solution 5 hours before your test \_\_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_\_**, one 8 oz glass every 10 minutes until one liter is finished. **You must be done in 1 hour. If your stool is not all liquid and a clear or yellowish color by this point, please continue to drink the rest of the solution.** You must finish drinking your prep **at least 4 hours** before your procedure time.
- **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 OR CANDY IS ALLOWED UNTIL AFTER THE PROCEDURE. You will be rescheduled if you do not follow these instructions.**