

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS ABOUT YOUR PROCEDURE**

### **For ALL Procedures**

- 1. Bring your photo ID, insurance cards, completed paperwork, a list of medications and any out-of-pocket payment owed.**
2. Please ensure you have a responsible driver. Your driver is **REQUIRED** to remain in the building and **may not leave** during your procedure. If we are unable to locate your driver the procedure will be cancelled.
3. We do not accept patients transported by a cab, or commercial transportation (example: Uber or Lyft), unless you bring a responsible adult to accompany you. If you come alone, you will need to have **certified** medical transportation.
3. Do not eat any nuts, seeds, corn, or anything containing these for 3 days prior to procedure.
4. Wear a loose fitting, short sleeve shirt. Leave all valuables at home.

### **Medication Instructions**

- 1. GLP-1 injectable medications – hold for 7 days prior to your procedure. Oral GLP-1 medication should be held for 1 day.** This is a medication taken for weight loss or diabetes. If you are not sure if you are taking a GLP-1 medication, call your prescribing provider or our office.
2. Diabetics: Test blood sugar prior to procedure, if you take oral medication or insulin, **DO NOT** take the morning of your procedure. Bring insulin with you. If you have any questions about these medications, please contact the prescribing provider.
3. Blood Thinners: Please follow the instructions given on holding these medications, if you did not receive instructions please contact our office. Not holding these medications or following instructions may result in cancellation or a repeat procedure. You may continue taking aspirin, ibuprofen, and other anti-inflammatory medications.
4. Additional medications: Bring your inhaler with you. Take blood pressure, heart and seizure medications with a sip of water at least 2 hours prior to procedure.

### **For Colonoscopy or Lower Endoscopy Procedures**

1. The **entire day** prior to your procedure only have *Clear Liquids* (no solid food and nothing red).
2. **Follow all prep instructions given.** Start the prep as early as 1pm but no later than 4pm. If you do not complete the prep as instructed, you may be required to repeat the prep and procedure.
3. If you struggle with constipation, you may need additional prep. Please contact the nurse to inquire about additional instructions.

**Why is this important? A bad prep can hide cancer or polyps. You want the best result possible!**

## Interstim Preparation

Please read all instructions thoroughly. After reading if any questions call our office.

### The Day BEFORE Your Procedure:

- After **12AM** (midnight), you may have nothing by mouth. This includes water, gum, mint. Otherwise, the procedure may be cancelled due to safety precautions.

Please refer to the cover page for all other instructions.

You will receive appointment reminders with the date, time, and location of your procedure. Please make sure your cell phone and email address are on file with our office.  
Call our office with any questions.

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