COLONOSCOPY INSTRUCTIONS

PRINCETON GASTROENTEROLOGY ASSOCIATES
TO SCHEDULE CALL #609-924-1422 FAX #609-924-7473

Please be sure to review these instructions at least 1 week prior to your procedure

Please purchase your prescription prep from the pharmacy: SUPREP

7 DAYS BEFORE YOUR COLONOSCOPY:

- **Do NOT** take **anti-inflammatory medications** such as Advil, Aleve, Excedrin, Ibuprofen, Motrin, Nuprin, etc. unless otherwise directed by your physician. You **MAY** take Tylenol or acetaminophen if necessary.
- Do NOT take fish oil supplements
- Do NOT eat any seeds, nuts, corn, quinoa, or whole grain breads with visible nuts/seeds.
- Continue taking your aspirin daily.

ON THE DAY BEFORE YOUR COLONOSCOPY:

- Drink only CLEAR LIQUIDS all day. NO solid food or dairy products.
- You can have any of the following CLEAR LIQUIDS as long as they are NOT RED or PURPLE colored:
 - Clear broth or bouillon (chicken, beef, or vegetable)
 - Clear juices without pulp : apple, white grape, lemonade, white cranberry
 - Clear sodas : 7-Up, Sprite, Ginger-ale, Seltzer, Mountain Dew
 - Gatorade, Powerade, Vitamin water, Pedialyte, Crystal Light, water or coconut water(without pieces of coconut in the coconut water), Jell-O, Iced popsicles, Italian ices
 - Iced tea, hot tea, iced coffee, hot coffee (NO milk or non-dairy creamer but any type of sweetener is ok)



At 5:00 pm the day BEFORE your colonoscopy

- Complete steps 1 through 4 using one 6 ounce bottle of Suprep
- Continue additional clear liquids before going to bed

6 hours prior to your colonoscopy

- Repeat steps 1 through 4 using the other 6 ounce bottle of Suprep
- Do not eat or drink at least 4 hours prior to your colonoscopy



ON THE DAY OF THE PROCEDURE:

- You must bring your insurance card and photo ID.
- Bring a referral to the facility if your insurance requires one.
- **DO NOT DRIVE THE ENTIRE DAY!** Someone **MUST** drive you to and from your appointment as you will be receiving sedation which impairs your ability to drive an automobile. You may take a taxi **ONLY if you are accompanied by an escort over the age of 18.** The taxi driver is NOT an acceptable escort.
- NO FOOD OR LIQUIDS including sips of water, gum, mints, cough drops within 4 hours of your scheduled arrival time.
- Please brush your teeth the morning of the procedure, you can use toothpaste, just rinse & spit.
- Do not wear your contact lenses on the morning of the procedure.
- Please being the completed forms to the facility (either the Princeton Endoscopy Center or Princeton Medical Center).

MED	ICATION INSTUCTIONS FOR THE DAY OF YOUR PROCEDURE: Please take your morning PRESCRIBED medications with a small sip of water as soon as you wake up, the
	morning of the procedure (except for medications you were specifically told to stop).
	Please TAKE your asthma medication(s) & please BRING your asthma medication to your procedure.
	Do NOT take your vitamins & supplements the morning of the procedure, but you may take them after.
If you	are a DIABETIC:
	Do NOT take the following ORAL diabetic medications the day before and morning of the procedure:
	Please obtain specific instructions for the day before & the day of the procedure from your primary care doctor
	or endocrinologist for the following medications:
If you	take a BLOOD THINNER/ANTI-COAGULANT:
	You should NOT take for days BEFORE the procedure.
	You should continue to take your aspirin unless otherwise instructed.

YOUR PROCEDURE IS SCHEDULED AT:

Princeton Endoscopy Center
Princeton Plaza, Suite #104, 731 Alexander Road
Princeton, NJ 08540
Tel # 609-452-1111
Parking & entrance are at the rear of the building.

Princeton Medical Center

Medical Arts Pavilion, 5 Plainsboro Road, 2nd floor Plainsboro, NJ 08536 Tel # 609-853-7500

The procedure generally takes about 40 minutes but you should plan on being present for about 1 ½ to 2 hours.

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