# **COLONOSCOPY INSTRUCTIONS**

PRINCETON GASTROENTEROLOGY ASSOCIATES

TO SCHEDULE CALL #609-796-7816 FAX #609-924-7473

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

DO NOT FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS IN OR ON THE BOX

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.
- Purchase simethicone (Gas-X) 80 mg tablets over-the-counter in the smallest quantity you can find.

### 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)

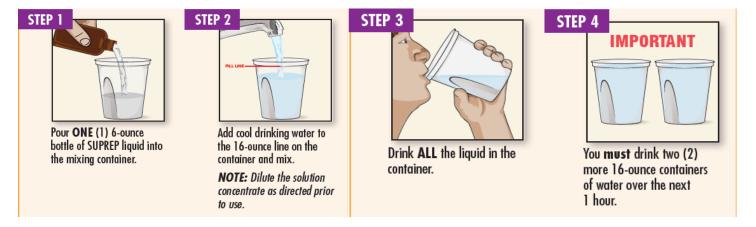


# At 5:00 pm the day BEFORE your colonoscopy

- Take 2 simethicone tablets (160 mg total) by mouth.
- Complete steps 1 through 4 using one 6 ounce bottle of Suprep (see image below)
- Continue additional clear liquids before going to bed

### 6 hours prior to your colonoscopy

- Take 2 simethicone tablets (160 mg total) by mouth.
- 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 bring the completed forms to the facility (either the Princeton Endoscopy Center or Princeton Medical Center).

MEDI	CATION 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 <b>NOT</b> take your vitamins & supplements the morning of the procedure, but you may take them <b>after.</b>
If you	are a DIABETIC:
	Do <b>NOT</b> take the following <b>ORAL</b> diabetic medications the <b>day before</b> and <b>morning</b> 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 <b>NOT</b> take for days <b>BEFORE</b> the procedure.
	You should continue to take your aspirin unless otherwise instructed.
***Do	not take injectable weight loss or diabetic medications injectable weight loss or diabetic medications such
as Lira	glutide (Saxenda), Semaglutide (Wegovy, Ozempic), or Tirzepatide (Zepbound, Mounjaro) for at least 7 days
nrior t	o your procedure. Patients on oral daily dosing should refer to instructions above for oral diabetic medications

# YOUR PROCEDURE IS SCHEDULED AT:

**Princeton Endoscopy Center**Princeton Plaza, **Suite #104,** 731 Alexander Road floor
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, 2<sup>nd</sup>

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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