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SUTAB-BOWEL PREPARATION

Patient Name: _____ Date of Procedure: _____ Time: _____

Place: The Endoscopy Center (Suite 100) Adventist Health and Rideout Hospital

IF YOUR PROCEDURE IS AT THE ENDOSCOPY CENTER: PLEASE READ RIGHT AWAY!

1. Call your insurance company to verify benefits at The Endoscopy Center.
2. Please do not arrive any earlier than your scheduled time, as a bed may not be available.
3. Your procedure is scheduled to start approximately 30 min after your scheduled arrival time.
4. Your length of stay will be approximately 2hours depending on scheduling or procedure time.
5. You will need to bring a list of all medications you are taking.
6. If you wear reading glasses, please bring them. You need them to read your consent and discharge instructions.
7. Wear comfortable clothing- you will be given a patient gown to wear for the procedure.
8. It would be best to leave your valuables at home.
9. If you normally wear a pad for urine or stool incontinence, you may want to do so after the procedure.

Pharmacy supplies:

1. SuTab (Prescription sent)
2. Dulcolax tablet (Four tablets) Over the counter
3. Gas X tablets (Four tablets) Over the counter

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS AND RESTRICTIONS:

1. Let your doctor know if you are on any blood thinners such as Plavix, Pradaxa, Effient, Prasugrel, Aggrenox, Warfarin, Eliquis, Xarelto or lovenox.
Hold ()-- days before procedure after permission from prescribing doctor. PLEASE CALL YOUR PRECRIBING DOCTOR BEFORE HOLDING.
2. DO TAKE YOUR BLOOD PRESSURE AND HEART MEDICATIONS.
3. Insulin and Diabetes Pills: If you are a diabetic, it is important to monitor your blood sugar while doing the bowel preparation. You should take only ½ of your usual dose of insulin or pills on your prep day. You should not take any diabetic medications on the day of your procedure. Please be sure to check your blood sugar at home at all meals, at bedtime and on the morning of your exam.
4. Please bring only ONE person as space is limited. **CHILDREN ARE NOT ALLOWED.**
5. **YOU WILL NEED A DRIVER the day of your procedure. The driver will need to stay during your procedure. Your Physician will speak to you and your driver between procedures. Because of the medication you may not remember your doctor**

talking to you. This makes it very important that your driver be present to hear what the doctor has to say.

6. You will be sedated for your procedure and likely to be sleepy. **You MUST NOT DRIVE** (it is illegal and unsafe), operate machinery, use stove/oven, make important decisions, or sign important papers for 24 hours. (We **Cannot** send you home in a taxi, uber or any other public transportation.)

Five days before your colonoscopy:

- Start a low fiber diet (avoid nuts, seeds, corn, raw (uncooked) fruits and vegetables).
- Stop iron, including medications or vitamins that contain iron.

DAY BEFORE THE PROCEDURE:

1. Clear liquids or broth may be taken all day long. Black coffee, tea, soda, apple juice, popsicles or Jell-O is allowed (No red Jell-O). **NO SOLID FOOD.**
2. Do not have any milk or milk products.
3. **Do not have anything colored Red!!**

At 12 noon, Take 4 Dulcolax tablets.

At 5pm, the night before;

Step 1: Open 1 bottle of 12 tablets.

Step 2: Fill the provided container with 16 ounces of water (up to the fill line). Swallow each tablet with a sip of water, and drink the entire amount of water over 15 to 20 minutes.

Step 3 Approximately 1 hour after the last tablet is ingested, fill the provided container again with 16 ounces of water (up to the fill line), and drink the entire amount over 30 minutes.

Step 4: Approximately 30 minutes after finishing the second container of water, fill the provided container with 16 ounces of water (up to the fill line), and drink the entire amount over 30 minutes. Also Take Two Gas X tablets

The next morning (at 12 AM)

- The morning of the colonoscopy, Open the second bottle of 12 tablets
- Repeat STEP 1 to STEP 4 from DOSE 1

Continue to drink a clear liquid up until **four hours before your colonoscopy (Nothing to drink the four hours before the exam).**

IF YOU VOMIT OR CAN'T DRINK THE PREP, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE RIGHT AWAY AT (530) 671-3671. If it's after business hours leave a message with the answering service.