

## Trinity Health Gastroenterology

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### Colonoscopy Bowel Preparation Instructions Nulytely or Golytely

#### 5 Days Before the Procedure

- **If you take** Aggrenox (Aspirin/Dipyridamole), Aspirin, Brilinta (Ticagrelor), Coumadin (Warfarin), Effient (Prasugrel), Eliquis (Apixaban), Plavix (Clopidogrel), Pletal (Cilostazol), Pradaxa (Dabigatran), Savaysa (Edoxaban), or Xarelto (Rivaroxaban), call the prescribing physician for instructions about stopping this medication before your colonoscopy. It is not safe to stop these medications without your doctor's advice
- **Stop** taking NSAID medications (Nonsteroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs) or Aspirin containing pain relievers, or similar drugs both prescription or over the counter until after the procedure unless directed otherwise by the physician that prescribed the medication for you. See NSAID List.
- **Stop** taking Fish Oil supplements
- Arrange for a responsible adult to drive or accompany you home from your procedure. The procedure will not begin if your driver is not present. You will not be discharged alone under any circumstances
- **Do not** eat any peas, corn, peanuts, or nuts until after your procedure
- Avoid food that contains Olestra (an oil substitute)
- Obtain Plain or Aloe Baby wipes or A & D Ointment if needed for soreness
- Take your prescription and obtain your prep at your pharmacy

#### 1 Day Before the Procedure

- Begin a Clear Liquid Diet when you wake up - See Diet Sheet
- Do not drink any red or purple liquids
- No alcohol
- **No gum**
- Drink 8 to 10 glasses of liquid throughout the day
- **5:30 pm:** Mix prep solution according to package directions. **Do Not** chill this prep solution. Drinking chilled prep solution may induce intestinal spasms causing cramping and nausea.

- Drink one glass of the mixture every 10 minutes until half of it is gone
- If you become nauseated or too full, take a short break then restart drinking the prep solution at a slower pace
- A split prep increases the cleaning of the colon by 93 to 97 percent. The first half is able to soften the harder debris and the second half is able to wash it away resulting in a cleaner colon. A clean colon is essential for visualizing and removing any polyps or flat lesions that may exist
- If you have diabetes take your medications as directed by your doctor
  - Insulin: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Oral Diabetes Medication: \_\_\_\_\_
- Check your blood sugar more often during the day. Treat low blood sugar with apple juice, regular soda pop or any clear liquid that contains sugar. You may suck on hard candy that is **not** sugar free to help maintain your blood sugar.

### Day of the Procedure

- **5 hours before your Procedure:** Drink the second half of the prep solution. 1 glass every 10 minutes until it is gone
- Your stool should be clear and watery
- **Do Not** eat or drink any other liquids after you finish the prep mixture
- **No Chewing Tobacco**
- Brush your teeth but **Do Not** swallow any water
- Take your routine morning medications (**except your oral diabetic medication**) with a sip of water
- Report to the Gastroenterology Clinic with your responsible adult
  - Medical Arts Clinic – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor – West Side – Second Desk
- Remember that a responsible adult must drive you home
- Plan to arrive a few minutes before you scheduled time. If you are scheduled at 7 am do not come before 6:50 am as the doors may not be unlocked
- If your procedure is in the morning, expect to be at the clinic for most of the morning
- If your procedure is in the afternoon, expect to be at the clinic for most the afternoon

- Call the number listed above (at the top) if you have any questions or need to reschedule your procedure