# **Procedure Instruction Sheet for**

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### PEG 3350 PREPARATION 1 DAY - SPLIT DOSE with Miralax

Your doctor has ordered a colonoscopy, which is an examination of the entire intestine (colon). This procedure takes about 20-30 minutes. A flexible tube (colonoscope) is passed into the rectum then gently advanced through the large intestine, examining the inner lining.

10 days before procedure	7 days before your procedure and everyday thereafter up to your procedure	5 days before your procedure	The morning of the day before your procedure	The day before your procedure  Start at 6:00 P.M. and finish within 2 hours.	After midnight prior to your procedure	Start 6 hours prior to procedure start time and finish within 2 hours.	The morning of your procedure
Purchase PEG 3350 from your local pharmacy  Avoid any foods with OLESTRA (found in low fat snack foods)  Avoid popcorn, nuts or seeds.	7 days before your procedure and everyday thereafter up to your procedure Mix one capful (17 grams) of Glycolax (Miralax) powder with water or juice and drink in the evening	Contact a relative or friend to arrange for transportation from the clinic after your procedure.  BECAUSE YOU WILL BE SEDATED YOU MUST HAVE SOMEONE AVAILABLE TO TAKE YOU HOME YOU MAY NOT TAKE A TAXI HOME UNLESS YOU HAVE SOMEONE, OTHER THAN THE TAXI DRIVER, TO BE YOUR RESPONSIBLE ADULT.	CLEAR LIQUID DIET THE ENTIRE DAY  See Clear liquid diet instructions.  Add drinking water to PEG 3350 to the fill line (4 liters) Mix thoroughly and chill. Patients may add Crystal Light® Lemonade mix to improve the taste. This is optional and only the yellow lemonade mix is permitted.	ETAY ON CLEAR LIQUID DIET THE ENTIRE DAY  Begin drinking the chilled PEG 3350 Drink 1 (8oz) glass every 15- 20 minutes until you have drank half of the gallon. (this takes 1 to 2 hours)	PATIENTS MAY HAVE CLEAR LIQUIDS UP TO 4 HOURS PRIOR TO PROCEDURE	Finish the Second Half of the PEG 3350  YOUR PREP MUST BE COMPLETED 4 HOURS PRIOR TO YOUR PROCEDURE	PATIENTS MAY HAVE CLEAR LIQUIDS UP TO 4 HOURS PRIOR TO PROCEDURE  Remember to wear comfortable clothing  Women please avoid high heels

Clear liquids mean anything that is clear in consistency: color is not as important as consistency. Drink juices such as apple, white grape or white cranberry. Avoid thick and pulpy juices. Bouillon or clear broth is fine. You can have gelatin without fruit. Avoid anything with red or orange artificial coloring. Soda, coffee and tea are fine. DO NOT drink milk or dairy products.

Please do not follow prep instructions on the bottle of your preparation that you received from the pharmacy.

Please only follow the instructions you received from your physician.

If for any reason you are unable to complete your preparation of PEG 3350, please call our office and the answering service will page the doctor on call for you.

## PATIENTS MAY HAVE CLEAR LIQUIDS UP TO 4 HOURS PRIOR TO PROCEDURE.

#### DAY OF EXAM

# IF YOU ARE TAKING BLOOD THINNERS SUCH AS COUMADIN OR THE EQUIVALENT, OR DIABETIC MEDICATIONS, PLEASE INFORM THE DOCTOR, AS YOU WILL NEED SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.

- If you are taking medicine for high blood pressure, asthma, or heart disease you will want to take these as usual with a sip of water. All medications must be taken 2 hours prior to your procedure.
- All other medications must be reviewed with the doctor.
- Should you consume more than just a sip of water with your medications the day of your procedure there will be a possibility of your procedure being cancelled.
- If polyps are removed from your colon (or if biopsies are taken) you may be told not to perform strenuous physical activities for up to 2 weeks.
- If polyps are removed (or if biopsies are taken) you should not travel by airplane for 2 weeks. You should not travel overseas for 2 weeks.
- Please do not wear any facial make-up, moisturizers, body lotions or oils the day of your procedure.

Please call the office (630) 527-6450 if you have any questions regarding the instructions.

Please be aware not all preps have the same effect on everyone. Following the above instructions is not a guarantee that you will be properly prepared for your colonoscopy. There is a possibility that you will need to be rescheduled at a later date with additional instructions if your prep is inadequate.

#### Your procedure start time is not a guarantee.

Diabetics who are on oral diabetic medication should hold taking them on the morning of the procedure. Patients on insulin should get instructions from their PCP.

Because you will be sedated, you will need a driver to bring you to and from your appointment. This driver MUST be with you at check in so we may verify you have a responsible adult bringing you home. We will be unable to go forward with your procedure if your driver is not with you at time of check in.

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Cancellation Policy: If for any reason you must cancel or change your procedure appointment, it is important that you give our office at least three business days' notice to offer that procedure time to someone else. If you fail to do so there will be a \$100.00 fine assessed. We understand that emergencies do occur. Under these circumstances a doctor's note or other appropriate documentation will be considered to have the charge waived.