

Patient Instructions COLONOSCOPY (PM)

Patient's name

Date of procedure

Time of arrival

How do I prepare for the procedure?

1 week before the exam, stop taking aspirin

- **3 days before** the exam, stop taking Advil, Nuprin, Aleve and Ibuprofen
 - o Tylenol is permitted
 - Please inform us if you are taking Coumadin, any other blood thinner or any diabetic medication
 - o Do not take any arthritis medication unless approved by your Gastroenterologist

□ **1 full day (the entire day) before your exam**, (<u>NOT 24 hours before</u>), starting at breakfast time, have only a <u>clear liquid diet</u> all day.

Squirt®

Slice® Pepsi®

Sprite®

Water

• Examples Include:

| 7-Up® | |
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| Dr. Pepper® | |
| Coke® | |
| Mountain Dew® | |
| Ginger ale | |
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Beef, chicken or vegetable broth Gatorade or other sport drinks Apple, grape or cranberry juice Hot or iced tea Black coffee

• You may eat Popsicles or plain Jell-O – any flavor <u>without red coloring</u> and <u>no fruit</u> <u>added</u>. <u>DO NOT DRINK</u> any milk or milk products, orange or grapefruit juice.

☐ At 6:00 p.m., take 2 Dulcolax laxative tablets with 10 ounce bottle of magnesium citrate. Drink at least 4 (four) 8 oz. glasses of clear liquid of your choice, within 2 to 3 hours after each laxative dose.

On the day of your exam, have only <u>clear liquid diet</u> until 9:00 AM, then nothing after that time until after your exam.

- You may take your routine medications unless told otherwise by the Gastroenterologist.
- At 7:00 AM, take 2 Dulcolax laxative tablets with 1 10 ounce bottle of magnesium citrate.



| Please report to the Registration Desk of Presence Covenant Medical Center |
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| (1400 West Park Street, Urbana, IL 61801) |

Be sure that someone is with you to drive you home. Your ride must be confirmed by the Procedure Center before your procedure. A taxi or bus is not acceptable unless you have someone to accompany you.

If you are unable to keep the appointment, please <u>cancel at least 24 hours before</u> your scheduled time by calling the Gastroenterology Department at <u>217-366-6162</u>