

SUPREP COLONOSCOPY PREP

Your physician has scheduled you for a Colonoscopy. Please follow the instructions below.

- ❑ If you need to cancel or reschedule your procedure for any reason, please call the Endoscopy Scheduler at 970-573-7555 at least 48 hours prior to your exam.
- ❑ If you are unable to complete your prep, notify the Greeley Endoscopy Center at 970-573-7555. For questions after hours call 970-378-1414 and ask for the gastroenterologist on-call.
- ❑ **Completely fill out the “TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF” and “MEDICATION” forms in your packet. Bring the completed forms and your packet with you the day of your procedure.**

General Information:

✓ **If any of the following conditions apply to you, you must be seen in the endoscopist’s office or obtain the endoscopist’s authorization prior to your procedure. Do you:**

- ❑ Take a blood-thinning medication?
- ❑ Have congestive heart failure?
- ❑ Use oxygen at home?
- ❑ Have any implanted electronic devices?

- ✓ For 5-7 days prior to your procedure, try to avoid nuts, seeds, corn and green vegetables.
- ✓ Take your prescribed medications as you normally would up until 3 hours before your procedure.
- ✓ This laxative will cause diarrhea. Please follow the instructions on the back of this page.
Good visualization of the colon depends on adequate colon cleansing.
- ✓ Make arrangements to have a responsible adult drive you home. Your driver should plan to stay at the facility during your procedure. Public transportation (bus, taxi, shuttle) is NOT allowed unless you have a responsible adult with you.
- ✓ After the procedure, you should have an adult with you for 4 to 6 hours.
- ✓ If polyps are removed, plan to remain in this area or an area easily accessible to emergency health care for 14 days after the procedure.

DIABETIC INSTRUCTIONS:

- ✓ If you are a diabetic and your procedure is scheduled to be done in the morning, hold your medications or insulin the morning of the procedure. We suggest you check your blood sugar at least 4 times a day at mealtime and bedtime.
- ✓ If you are diabetic and your procedure is scheduled to be done in the afternoon, contact your primary care physician to confirm how to take your diabetic medications. We suggest you check your blood sugar at least 4 times a day at mealtimes and bedtime.

(see other side for prep instructions)

In advance, you will need to purchase a **Suprep kit by prescription** from the pharmacy of your choice. **Suprep prescription is included in your packet.** You will also need to purchase

PLEASE NOTE: If you previously have not been able to use the Suprep type prep call 970-378-1414 at least 24 hours before starting prep to get alternate instructions.

DRINK PLENTY OF CLEAR LIQUIDS TO PREVENT DEHYDRATION.

Suggestion: Sucking on lemon drops while you are taking the laxative may make it more tolerable.

- The day before your exam** you must follow a clear liquid diet the **ENTIRE** day. You may not eat anything solid until after your procedure.
- On your clear liquid diet you may have only:** water, coffee, tea, soda, broth, bouillon, liquid or set jello, popsicles (no red jello or popsicles), juices without pulp such as apple, or **WHITE** grape juice. No juice with pulp is allowed. No milk or cream products are allowed.
- At 6 pm:** follow the below steps
 1. Pour **ONE** 6-ounce bottle of SUPREP liquid into the mixing container
 2. Add cool drinking water to the 16-ounce line on the container and mix
 3. Drink **ALL** the liquid in the container
 4. You **MUST drink TWO (2) more 16-ounce** containers of water over the next 1 hour.
 5. Continue drinking clear liquids until you go to bed.
- Studies show that split dosing does a better job of cleaning the colon. You will take 1 dose of prep the night before and the second dose of prep the next morning before your procedure.
- 5 hours before you are scheduled to arrive for your procedure:** follow the below steps
 1. **Complete steps 1-4 from above** using the second 6-ounce bottle of SUPREP
 2. You may have **NOTHING** by mouth after your second dose of prep is finished
- 4 hours before you are scheduled to arrive, do not eat or drink anything. (No hard candy or gum.)
- Take prescribed medications as you normally would up to 3 hours before your procedure, except for diabetic and blood thinning medications (see instructions for diabetic medications on front of sheet, call 970-378-1414 for directions regarding blood thinners).

IF YOU ARE SCHEDULED FOR BOTH A COLONOSCOPY AND GASTROSCOPY FOLLOW THE SAME INSTRUCTIONS AS LISTED ABOVE.