

SPECIALTY MEDICINE, EXCEPTIONAL CARE

YOUR BOWEL PREP IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

Prep: MiraLAX	
•	□ Purchase the following:
	 238 gram bottle of MiraLAX powder (over the counter).
	 64 ounce of a sports drink like Gatorade, Propel, or Powerade to mix the
	MiraLAX in. NO RED OR PURPLE colored drink.
1 Week	 10-ounce bottle of GREEN or CLEAR magnesium citrate (over the counter
	laxative). NO RED OR PURPLE.
Before	 Dulcolax (bisacodyl)- two 5 mg laxative pills (over the counter).
20.0.0	 GasX or simethicone gas relief over the counter. You will only need 4 of these.
	These help decrease bubbles in your colon.
	 Clear liquids – Refer to clear liquid diet handout.
	□ Plan for a driver: Plan for someone to drive you home or escort you if taking
	alternate modes of transportation. You will be sedated for your procedure. You
	should not drive again until the morning after your procedure.
	□ Stop eating any visible seeds, nuts or whole grains. You can still eat fruits and
	vegetables if you remove the seeds from them. Refer to the dietary guidelines
	handout. Please do not take oil-based vitamins (A, D, E or K, fish oil, etc.) or
	supplements for a full 7 days before your procedure. While we may not cancel your
	procedure if you have accidentally eaten them the week before your procedure, it
	may impact the quality of your prep.
	Stop the use of any illicit drugs 7 days prior to your procedure or your procedure
	may be canceled. If you are taking prescription medications , please refer to the Medication
	Changes handout for holding instructions. If you did not receive this handout,
	contact our office.
	□ Start clear liquid diet from the time you wake up. See clear liquid diet handout.
_	□ At 6:00 pm:
1 Day Before	O Take 1 Dulcolax pill.
	O Drink the 10-ounce bottle of magnesium citrate. Drink over 15 minutes to
	reduce nausea.
	□ At 7:00 pm:
	o Mix the entire bottle of MiraLAX in 64 ounces of a sports drink until completely
	dissolved.
	 Drink <u>half of the mixture</u> (32 ounces) over the next hour.
	○ Take 2 GasX pills.
	 If you experience nausea or vomiting, take a 15-30 minute break, then
	continue drinking prep solution.
	□ Refrigerate the remaining half of the mixture for the next day.
	□ Continue clear liquids to stay hydrated.
	Continue clear liquid diet from the time you wake up.
	7 HOURS prior to your procedure:
	O Take 1 Dulcolax pill.
	O Drink the remaining half of the MiraLAX mixture (32 ounces) over the next
	hour. O Take 2 GasX pills.
	□ 6 HOURS prior to your procedure:
Procedure	O Stop all use of cigarettes, e-cigarettes, chewing tobacco and marijuana.
	□ 5 HOURS prior to your procedure:
Day	O Drink 3 more 8-ounce glasses of clear liquids over the next hour.
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		4 HOURS prior to your procedure:	
		O NO DRINKING/NOTHING by mouth – including water, gum, hard candy/mints.	
		O The only exception: If you have a critical medication that cannot be taken 4-6	
		hours early, it can be taken up to 2 hours before the procedure, BUT ONLY	
		WITH A SIP OF WATER (no more than 2-3 TABLESPOONS).	
		f you cannot see through to the bottom of the toilet one hour after finishing your	
		prep, please call the number above for further advice after 7 am.	
		Have the following:	

- - A ride home. To be confirmed at check-in.
 - Bring insurance cards and driver's license. Do not bring valuables.