

SUTAB PREPARATION FOR COLONOSCOPY

Read and follow all instructions carefully – Your prep instructions differ from those included on the box, follow the instructions below

Important: Clear liquids ONLY for the day prior to your procedure, from the moment you wake up.

PURCHASE AT THE PHARMACY

- SuTab Bowel Preparation (prescription)
- 4 tablets Zofran (prescription for nausea)

PREPARATION FOR YOUR PROCEDURE

- If you **do not** have regular, daily bowel movements, or are on a GLP1 medication let us know. You will need different instructions to have a successful exam.
- Continue all** aspirin and anti-inflammatory medications including ibuprofen, Motrin, Aleve, naproxen, Naprosyn, sulindac, piroxicam, Feldene, indomethacin, diclofenac, and Voltaren. Tylenol (acetaminophen) is also safe to continue.
- If you take a prescribed blood thinner you will need holding instructions from our office.**
- Arrange to have a driver take you home after the procedure. You will not be allowed to drive after receiving sedation.
- If you have diabetes or are taking medications for weight loss, use the following instructions:**
 - Fasting (going without food) is required for this procedure, monitor your blood sugar and follow these directions
 - GLP-1 - STOP 7 days prior to your procedure. (ex: Ozempic, Wegovy, Mounjaro, Zepbound, Trulicity, Semaglutide, Tirzepatide)**
 - SGLT2 - Stop 3 days prior to procedure (ex: Jardiance, Farxiga, Invokana, Steglatro, Brenzavvy, Glyxambi, Synjardy, Xigduo, Qtern)**
 - Other oral diabetic medication: do not take the morning of your procedure.
 - Insulin Pump: Leave on, if you have questions refer to your endocrinologist.
 - Long-acting Insulin: half dose the evening before procedure. Do not take the morning of your procedure.
 - Short-acting insulin: dose as necessary with blood sugar monitoring.
 - If you are concerned about your blood sugar dropping, consider purchasing glucose tablets.

CALL MON-FRI 7 AM – 5 PM OR CALL OUR AFTER HOURS NUMBER

Meridian Endoscopy Center	(208) 695-2100
Boise Endoscopy Center	(208) 342-7169
Canyon County Endoscopy Center	(208) 954-8218
10-Mile Endoscopy Center	(208) 565-5035
After Hours	(208) 343-6458

7 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROCEDURE

- STOP ALL GLP-1 medications 7 days prior to procedure.**
- STOP SGLT2 medications 3 days prior to procedure.**

5 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROCEDURE

- No nuts or seeds.
- Stop all fiber supplements including Metamucil, Citrucel, Benefiber, FiberChoice and flax seeds. If you are taking these to treat constipation, take 17g of MiraLAX **daily** starting five days prior to your procedure in place of the fiber. (This will require you to purchase MiraLAX in addition to bowel preparation stated above).
- Stop all oil-based vitamins and supplements to include Vitamin A, D, E, Fish Oil, Etc.

THE DAY BEFORE YOUR PROCEDURE

- From the moment you wake up, start a clear liquid diet. Do not eat breakfast. Avoid red beverages. This is different from the box instructions, please follow our instructions.**

- Clear liquids only by mouth. This includes clear juices (apple, grape, strained orange, strained lemonade), tea, coffee (no milk or creamer), soft drinks, sports drinks (Gatorade, Powerade), clear broth or bouillon, Jell-O, and Popsicles.
- Avoid red drinks, red Jell-O, and dairy products.
- **Consume large amounts of clear fluids to increase success of the bowel flush, help avoid hunger, and avoid dehydration.**
 - To decrease the chance of nausea, you may take one Zofran tablet 30-60 minutes prior to drinking your prep. If you become nauseated or vomit, you may repeat Zofran x1.
- **At 5:00 pm open 1 SUTAB bottle of 12 tablets.** Fill provided cup with water to 16oz line. Swallow 1 tablet with water every 1-2 minutes. **You should finish the 12 tablets and the entire 16oz of water within 20 minutes.** Wait 1 hour.
- After 1 hour, fill the provided cup to the 16oz line and drink over 30 minutes.
- 30 minutes after completing the 2nd cup, fill the provided cup to the 16oz line and drink the entire 3rd cup over 30 minutes. This will induce stools. **You must finish the dose and three 16oz cups of water within 2 hours of starting.**
- If you experience nausea while taking your prep, stop drinking and allow the nausea to settle. You may take a Zofran tablet to help ease your nausea. When you resume drinking, drink slower or through a straw to help avoid nausea. If vomiting occurs, please call us at the numbers above.
- You may continue consuming clear liquids before and after your bowel prep.

THE DAY OF YOUR PROCEDURE

- **Start the second dose of SUTAB starting 7 hours before your exam's scheduled time** (e.g.: if your appointment is at 10 am, you should start at 3 am. If it is at 1 pm, you should start at 6 am). Fill provided cup with water to the 16oz line. Swallow 1 tablet with a sip of water every 1-2 minutes. **You should finish the 12 tablets and the entire 16oz of water within 20 minutes.** Wait 1 hour.
 - To decrease the chance of nausea, you may take one Zofran tablet 30-60 minutes prior to drinking your prep. If you become nauseated or vomit, you may repeat Zofran x1.
- After 1 hour, fill the provided to the 16oz line and drink the 2nd cup over 30 minutes.
- 30 minutes after completing the 2nd cup, fill the provided cup to 16oz and drink the entire 3rd cup over 30 minutes. This will induce stools. **You must finish the second bottle and three 16oz cups of water within 2 hours of starting so your stomach is empty for your exam.**
- After completion of the prep, your stools should be watery and see-through. If they are not, or you have any concerns about the quality of your prep, please call us.
- Please continue consuming clear liquids after prep completion to avoid dehydration up until 4 hours prior to your scheduled procedure.
- **4 hours prior to your procedure STOP drinking fluid. You may take small sips of water only to take your prescribed medications – this is very important. Drinking within 4 hours of your procedure may result in delay or cancellation.**
- Bring a list of your current medications and correct dosages to your appointment.
- **NO DRIVING – you cannot drive for the remainder of the day if you are sedated.** You need to have a responsible driver to take you home after your procedure. If your driver wishes to discuss the results of your procedure with the doctor, have them accompany you to your procedure and **remain on site.**
- We do not recommend Uber, Lyft, or taking a taxi – these are not acceptable forms of transportation.
- You will be sedated for your procedure. **Please avoid alcohol and making legal decisions for the remainder of the day after your procedure.**

HELPFUL TIPS

- **STOP GLP-1 medications 7 days prior to your procedure**
- **STOP SGLT2 medications 3 days prior to procedure**
- Clear liquids only the day before and day of your exam. Do NOT drink any fluids 4 hours prior to your exam.
- You **must** complete your **entire bowel prep**. We often see poor bowel preparations because patients stop drinking.
- If you have trouble drinking the prep, try sucking on ice or a lemon wedge, brush your teeth, chew gum, or rinse your mouth.
- If you finish the whole prep and your stool is brown, thick, or not clear please call us for advice.
- If you are nauseated or vomit with the prep, stop drinking to allow your stomach to settle and take the Zofran we provide.
- You may not remember your conversation with your doctor after your procedure – we STRONGLY recommend your driver stays IN our facility to speak with the doctor after your test.

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- ❖ **Your procedure time will be approximately 90 minutes from the scheduled check-in time to discharge for procedures in the Endoscopy Centers. Please coordinate with your driver to alleviate delays in discharge. Patients' stay times for hospital procedures may be longer.**
- ❖ **We cannot be responsible for your valuables (*watches or various jewelry items*). Please leave them at home.**
- ❖ **Bring all insurance cards and a photo ID with you. Please check with your insurance company regarding prior authorization. Fee for services is required at time of check-in. Please be prepared to make a payment.**
- ❖ **IGA recognizes that your time is valuable, and so is ours. If you need to cancel or reschedule an appointment, please do so more than 48 business hours prior to your scheduled appointment arrival time at 208-343-6458. Late cancellations and no shows may be assessed a \$200 fee.**