

Colon Prep #4: MiraLAX Standard

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Calendar Dates			
5 DAYS PRIOR:	5 DAYS PRIOR:	1 DAY PRIOR:	PROCEDURE DATE:
General instructions	Medical Instructions	(Drink 3/4 of MiraLAX, 3 glasses)	(2 nd 1/4 of MiraLAX, 1 glass)
Last chance to cancel appointment or you will be charged a NO SHOW FEE of \$250. Check with insurance in advance to see if you need a referral or pre-approval	From This Day On, Until The Procedure: TURN PAPER OVER FOR LOW FIBER DIET Stop eating any seeds, nuts, corn, popcorn, whole- grain bread, crunchy vegetables and potato skin. OK to continue soluble fiber such as Metamucil, Citrucel, or Benefiber. OK to eat meats. STOP:	Entire Day: Clear liquid diet only (no solids foods!): clear fruit juice without pulp such as apple juice, white grape juice, broth, Gatorade (No Gatorade Frost), popsicles, coffee or tea without cream. Small amount of Jell-O is OK. No milk, red, blue, or purple colors.	AM: drink the remaining MiraLAX until it is gone. You may have to get up very early for the morning does and the timing is critically important. Also, do not stop the prep even if you think your stool is clear, as fecal matter often comes
for your procedure. Arrange childcare, as children should not be	 for days before procedure. Stop taking oil supplements, oil capsules, iron pills, as this makes it difficult to cleanse the bowel. 	If you take diabetes medicine: Refer to the instruction sheet "Colonoscopy Patients with Diabetes".	out intermittently. A good prep should result in CLEAR yellowish watery stool (not cloudy) that looks like clear urine.
brought to the endoscopy center. Secure a driver for the	If you are diabetic or if you're taking blood thinners and you did not receive specific instructions regarding your medications, please call the office. Blood thinners include Plavix,	<u>4 PM</u> : drink one 10 oz. bottle of lemon magnesium citrate (OTC). Skip this step, if you have advanced kidney disease or if you're 70 years or older.	STOP DRINKING ALL LIQUIDS, INCLUDING WATER, 4 HOURS PRIOR TO YOUR CHECK IN TIME.
procedure day, as it is unsafe to drive for 12 hours after the procedure. SUPPLIES:	Effient, Warfarin (Coumadin), Pradaxa, or Xarelto, etc. If you have implantable cardiology devices (defibrillator or pacemaker), notify the office as a	<u>6 PM</u> : Mix one entire 238gm bottle/14 doses of MiraLAX into 32oz. bottle of Gatorade (yellow or no color ONLY). Drink 8 oz. glass every 20-30 minutes	Early morning: take your usual prescribed medication with small sip of water except for blood thinners and insulin.
 MiraLAX (OTC), 238gm bottle, 14 doses 32 oz. Bottle of Gatorade (yellow or no color only) 10 oz. bottle of lemon magnesium citrate (OTC) Fleet enema (OTC), optional 	device clearance is needed from your cardiologist. You should have 1 to 2 soft or slightly loose bowel movements DAILY. This is very important, as the final bowel prep will not be adequate if there is too much stool packed in the colon. If you have severe constipation, call office for advice. You may take OTC MiraLAX one dose in a 8 oz. glass of water up to 3 times per day as needed to maintain daily soft BMs. You may also use your usual laxatives as needed.	as tolerated. Finish 3 glasses and save the remaining amount for next morning. <u>What to expect</u> : Lots of diarrhea! If not, try an OTC Fleet enema. If you are nauseated, stop and pause for an hour. Maalox or Tums may help. OK to continue drinking water, apple juice or white grape juice in the evening as needed. NO ALCOHOL	 AGAIN, be sure to bring: Medication list A driver Photo ID/Insurance card Eyeglasses/Hearing aids You <u>CANNOT</u> drink alcohol or drive for 12 hours after the test.