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COLONOSCOPY PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS MIRALAX / DULCOLAX SPLIT PREP

(For patients scheduled at 11 am or later)

It is very important for you to **read and follow these instructions**. Failure to do so may result in cancellation of your procedure. Please keep them in a place where you can find them to **review again**, ALONG WITH THE GENERAL COLONOSCOPY INSTRUCTIONS, **one week prior to your test date**.

TEST DATE:_		
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You must PURCHASE either:

- 1. Ez2go Prep Kit (available at our offices, ONLY at the time of your office visit- No Walk-In purchases)
- 2. 64 oz. of any clear liquid (clear juice, fruit drinks, Gatorade, clear soda) (nothing red in color)

OR. (in any pharmacy, or grocery store in laxative aisle.)

- 1. One 238 gram bottle of Miralax (8.3 oz.)
- 2. Two Dulcolax Tablets (Laxative, NOT Stool Softener)
- 3. 64 oz. of any clear liquid (clear juice, fruit drinks, Gatorade, clear soda) (nothing red in color)

ON THE DAY BEFORE THE TEST		.9	DO THE FOLLOWING:
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You may have a normal breakfast, then,

Starting at 12 NOON: You must stay on a CLEAR LIQUID DIET ONLY!!!

CLEAR LIQUID DIET

Water Tea Clear Broth Clear juice (no pulp) Ice pops (no red)
Jell-O (no red) Ginger ale 7-up Gatorade Fruit drinks (no red)

Coffee (very small amount of milk)

Italian Ice (no red)

NO SOLID FOOD PERMITTED!! NO RED FLUIDS!! DRINK AT LEAST 8 (80z.) GLASSES OF CLEAR LIQUIDS

HOW TO TAKE THE PREP:

1. Beginning at approximately <u>5:00 PM</u> (day before)

Take two (2) Dulcolax (Bisacodyl) tablets with 8 oz. of water. Swallow the tablets whole with a full glass of water.

2. Beginning at approximately 6:00 PM (day before)

Mix the entire bottle of Miralax (or large bottle in ez2go kit) in 64 oz. of any clear liquid. Shake the solution until the Miralax is dissolved. Drink 8 oz. of the solution every 15-30 minutes until the solution is HALF finished. Refrigerate remainder of solution.

3. Beginning at 5:00 AM (day of procedure)

Drink the **second half of the solution**, 8 oz. every 15-30 minutes until gone. Must be completed by **7 AM**.

4. <u>Starting at 7 AM</u> on the day of the procedure, you <u>MUST have NOTHING AT ALL BY MOUTH</u>, not even water.

Please note; over the counter topical ointment/ cream, such as A&D, may be using to prevent rectal discomfort.