

Colonoscopy/5x10 Prep

This prep will allow your doctor to achieve the best possible diagnostic view of your colon. It will also provide the most comfort during the procedure and minimize any risk of complication.

In advance, purchase (1) 10 oz. bottle of Magnesium Citrate and (1) box of Dulcolax tablets at your local pharmacy. **One day before your procedure you will need to be on a clear liquid diet.**

- Clear liquids are food that you can see through
- Avoid all substances red or purple in color (it can look like blood)
- Limit caffeine and alcoholic beverages (1 or 2)
- No dairy products
- Suggested foods: Apple juice, herbal tea, broth, or bouillon, (no crackers), soda, Kool-aid, white grape juice, Jello, Gatorade (not red or purple), plain hard candy, popcicles, seasonings, (sugar, honey, substitutes, salt, Mrs. Dash)

The day before your procedure:

At 4:00pm drink the entire contents of (1)10 oz. bottle of the Magnesium Citrate followed by (3) 8 oz. glasses of water. Follow immediately with (5) Dulcolax tablets and (1) 8 oz. glass of water.

Please drink as much liquid as is comfortable up to 4 hours before your procedure. The more clear liquid you drink will help decrease cramping during the prep process. **Please be fasting 4 hours prior to your procedure.**

If you can not tolerate the prep (vomiting or no results), please call our office at 522-4000 or if it is after hours please call our answering service at 208-557-7523 and ask for the doctor on call for Grand Teton Gastroenterology.

The day of your procedure:

Please take your medications as prescribed the morning of the procedure with a small sip of water.

***You will need someone to drive you home.**

Your colonoscopy is scheduled at:

- GTSC Grand Teton Surgical Center
- EIRMC Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center

Doctor: _____

Date: _____

Time: _____

*The schedule is finalized the day before your scheduled procedure and your check in time may change.

- The Grand Teton Surgical Center nursing staff will make every effort to contact you the day before your procedure to answer any questions and to confirm your check in time. **If no one has contacted you the day before your procedure, please call Grand Teton Surgical Center at 208-524-3800 to confirm your check in time and for further instructions. Grand Teton Surgical Center hours are from 6:30 am to 5 pm.**
- The Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center nursing staff will contact you the day before your procedure to confirm your check in time.

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Your healthcare provider has determined that a colonoscopy is necessary for further evaluation and treatment. This brochure answers questions patients ask most frequently and will help you understand the procedure. After reading this, if you have any additional questions, please feel free to discuss them with nurse or provider prior to your exam.

If you have any questions about your need for the colonoscopy, alternative tests, the cost of the procedure, methods of billing, or insurance coverage, do not hesitate to speak to our staff, we will be happy to assist you.