

## Miralax/Gatorade Bowel Prep Colonoscopy Instructions

**\*\*\*READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS UPON RECEIPT\*\*\*** 

(You must bring someone with you to drive you home safely, due to sedation)

Medications:

Five (5) days prior to procedure stop all:

- Vitamins
- Blood thinners contact your prescribing doctor before stopping
- Iron pills
- Stool formers (Imodium, fiber supplements)

## Foods to avoid:

Two (2) days prior to procedure avoid the following:

- Nuts
- Seeds
- Raw vegetables

\*\*\*You should continue your blood pressure medication, seizure medication, and aspirin unless instructed not to \*\*\*

## You will need to purchase two (2) 32 ounce bottles of Gatorade, (no red or purple) and 4 Dulcolax Tablets- over the counter.

*Upon awakening, the day before your procedure,* start a <u>clear liquid diet</u> (NO SOLID FOOD). Mix half of the Miralax 238 gram bottle into one (1) 32 ounce Gatorade bottle; refrigerate.

Diet:

Nothing RED or PURPLE, No Milk/Milk Products and No Non-Dairy Creamer: Acceptable List of Clear Liquids:

- Water - Gatorade <sup>™</sup>	- Apple juice - Bouillon	- Coffee(black) - Hi-C™ or CrystalLite™
- White grape juice	- Soft drinks – clear	- Popsicles
- Lemonade	- Tea	- Jell-O™

Prep:

The day before your procedure, at 4 PM take four (4) Dulcolax tablets with water and continue clear liquids.

At 5:00 PM, the day before your appointment, begin drinking the 1<sup>st</sup> dose of Miralax/Gatorade

- Drink the first dose of Miralax/Gatorade at a rate of eight (8) ounces every 15 30 minutes (over 1 2 hours)
- Mix the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose of Miralax/Gatorade and refrigerate
- Continue clear liquid diet as above (NO SOLID FOOD)

Five (5) hours prior to your arrival time, on the day of your procedure, drink the second dose of Miralax/Gatorade at a rate of eight (8) ounces every 15 - 30 minutes (over 1 - 2 hours)

DO NOT DRINK OR EAT ANYTHING ELSE (NO WATER/DO NOT CHEW GUM)

\*\*\*Not following all of these instructions will result in your procedure needing to be canceled and rescheduled\*\*\*