

**Important Pre-procedure Information**  
**Please review 1 week prior to your procedure**

Location	<p>Capital Digestive Care has many local offices and endoscopy centers, some of which are in close proximity to one another. Use the attached pre-procedure planning and tip sheet to help you arrive at the proper place and time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Endoscopy center patients should arrive 45 minutes early and arrival times for hospital patients may vary. The hospital may want you to arrive 1-2 hour(s) early in order to complete intake activities for your procedure.</li> <li>• Please review your appointment reminder notices for accurate arrival times.</li> </ul>
COVID Safety	<p>Patients who develop COVID symptoms, travel internationally or are exposed to COVID between the time of scheduling their appointment and the date of the procedure, must contact our office. Please visit our website at <a href="http://www.capitaldigestivecare.com">www.capitaldigestivecare.com</a> for additional COVID safety information.</p>
Medications	<p>Talk to your doctor about any medications or supplements that you take routinely. Do not stop any prescription medications unless instructed by your prescribing physician.</p>

**General Policies:**

Transportation	<p>Some activities, such as driving, are not permitted until the day after your procedure. Arrange for a ride from someone who can take responsibility for your care (over the age of 18). They should arrive no later than 1 hour after your procedure time. If your appointment is after 3:00 pm, your ride must arrive no later than 4:30 pm. Ride services such as Uber, Lyft, taxi service, etc. are not permitted.</p>
Cancellation	<p>Our practice requires notification of cancellation within five (5) business days, otherwise, a fee of \$150 will apply.</p>

**Your preparation requires the following dietary restrictions: CLEAR LIQUID DIET**

This preparation requires you to follow a clear liquid diet upon awakening the day before your procedure. Follow the instructions on when to start and when to stop your preparation.

Failure to follow instructions may result in the cancellation of your procedure – this is for your safety.

**Allowed on a clear liquid diet\*:** Water, Apple juice, white grape and white cranberry juice, broth, tea, coffee (without milk, creamer or substitutes). Jell-O, Italian Ices, popsicles, sodas, Kool-Aid, Gatorade. (\*none of these may be the color red, orange or purple, or contain fruit pulp.)

**Do NOT consume:**

- Red, orange, or purple colored liquids or products.
- Milk, cream or non-dairy substitutes (such as artificial creamer, soy or nut milks).
- Juices containing pulp (i.e. orange, grapefruit, pineapple, tomato & V-8 juice) or frozen juice products containing pulp.
- Solid foods.

√ **5 DAYS BEFORE THE PROCEDURE:**

- This is the last day to cancel your procedure without incurring a late cancellation fee, per policy.
- If taking iron supplements, take your last dose today and discontinue until after your procedure.
- Pick-up the following supplies:
  - Your prep prescription from the pharmacy.
  - If desired: over-the-counter items to relieve rectal irritation, which may develop during your prep. These may include Desitin, Anusol, Tucks pads or Vaseline.
  - If desired: you may mix your prep with clear liquids other than water, such as clear soda (ex. Sprite, Ginger Ale) or lemonade with no pulp, to ease your prep.

√ **3 DAYS BEFORE THE PROCEDURE:**

- Adjust your diet. Stop eating high fiber foods including, seeds, quinoa, nuts, beans, corn/popcorn, raw fruits, raw vegetables and bran.
- Review the Pre-Procedure Planning and Tip Sheet for what to expect and tips to make prep easier.

<b>THE DAY <u>BEFORE</u> THE PROCEDURE CONSUME CLEAR LIQUIDS ONLY</b>			
<b>Upon awakening</b>	It is important to drink as many clear liquids as possible throughout the day to avoid dehydration during the evening prep.		
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<b>Do not follow the instructions on the SUTAB box. Follow the below instructions.</b>			
<b>4:00 pm</b>	Drink at least 16 oz of water while taking 12 tablets over 60 minutes (approximately 2 pills every 10 minutes). You may drink at your own pace if you experience nausea, bloating or cramping)		
<b>5:00 pm</b>	Drink 32 oz of water over the next 2-3 hours.		

<b>THE DAY OF THE PROCEDURE</b>	
<b>5 hours before your procedure time Second Dose</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drink at least 16 oz of water while taking 12 tablets over 60 minutes (approximately 2 pills every 10 minutes). (You may drink at your own pace if you experience nausea, bloating or cramping.)</li> <li>• Drink 32 oz. of water over the next 60 minutes.</li> <li>• You must finish drinking 3 hours before your procedure time</li> <li>• Do not consume anything by mouth 3 hours before your procedure time. See below for medication exceptions. <b>IF YOU DRINK WITHIN THIS 3 HOUR TIME FRAME, THE PROCEDURE MAY BE POSTPONED OR CANCELED.</b></li> </ul>
<b>Medications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Take your medications such as aspirin, blood pressure, Parkinson's, seizure, or asthma medications.</b> Please take these medications 3 or more hours prior to the procedure start time <b>with only a small sip of water.</b></li> <li>• If a physician has prescribed for you an inhaler for asthma, bring it with you to the procedure.</li> </ul>
<b>Other Instructions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bring your photo ID, insurance cards and co-payment, if required.</li> <li>• Wear comfortable clothing. Do not wear jewelry or bring valuables.</li> <li>• Do not wear perfume or lotions, deodorant is allowed.</li> </ul>

√ **WHAT TO EXPECT:**

- Expect to have frequent bowel movements and diarrhea within 1-4 hours. Be patient and try walking around to stimulate bowel motility. Remain near a restroom. During this time, continue your prep.
- **Expect to pass clear or yellow fluid at the completion of your prep.**
- You must complete all doses of your prep even if you are passing clear or yellow fluid early in the process.
- Patients should continue drinking clear liquids up to three hours before the procedure. During the 3 hours before your procedure, consume nothing by mouth, not even water, chewing gum or candy.
- Your procedure may be cancelled under the following circumstances: failure to fully complete the prep or inadequate prep (not passing clear or yellow fluid); consuming anything by mouth within 3 hours of the procedure.
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√ **WHAT TO DO TO MAKE PREPPING EASIER:**

- Patients can use Desitin, Anusol, Tucks pads or Vaseline to coat the rectal area to avoid irritation during the prep.
- Patients can drink the prep solution with a straw or hold your nose when drinking.
- Patients should slow down between doses if feeling nauseous.
- Patients who vomit the prep should take a break and then continue drinking the prep slowly once vomiting passes.

Procedure date	
Procedure time	
Arrival time	
Location name & address	
Name of person providing your ride home	
Relationship	
Phone number	