

Prior to Your Colonoscopy

You will have to do a bowel prep the day before surgery, which includes being on a clear liquid diet. You will receive the bowel prep instructions on a handout from the Southwind Surgical office prior to the procedure. For this procedure, you will be required to be NPO 8 hours before the Colonoscopy. NPO means nothing to eat or drink by mouth including candy, gum, cough drops, chewing tobacco, etc. Prior to your procedure, an anesthesia nurse will call you and tell you what medications to take the evening before or morning of the procedure. We ask that you please follow their instructions and notify us of the medications taken once in your pre-op room the day of surgery.

For the procedure, you will need to bring a driver over the age of 18 with you to the hospital as you will not be able to drive for 24 hours after anesthesia. Once you arrive at HaysMed you will be checked in at admissions and then taken to your pre-op room in Ambulatory surgery. Upon your arrival, a nurse will review your health history and medications. The nurse will then obtain your vital signs and start an IV.

An anesthesia provider will visit with you about anesthesia. You will be given MAC (monitored anesthesia care) sedation once you are in the procedure room. MAC anesthesia involves receiving medications through your IV that will allow you to relax and drift off to sleep. You will be unconscious, but able to breathe on your own. Even though you are asleep, you may remember hearing staff talk around you during the procedure.

Your surgeon will meet with you before you are taken back to the procedure room.

A nurse will take you to the endoscopy suite for the procedure and this is where the anesthetic is given after you are hooked up to the cardiac and vital sign monitors.

Once the procedure is over, you will be taken back to your patient room. Here you will have to stay for at least 1 hour to recover.

Discharge Instructions

To meet discharge criteria, you must be able to drink fluids without experiencing any nausea/ vomiting, report pain as tolerable, and maintain stable vital signs. Your physician will review the results of the procedure with you prior to discharge. You generally will not need a prescription after this procedure.

After a colonoscopy, it is normal to have some mild gas pains (cramping, bloating) as the physician puts air into your colon to visualize it better. You will be encouraged to pass gas or burp to help alleviate these pains.

After the procedure you can eat whatever you would like unless otherwise told by your physician. It is recommended to start off eating a light meal to minimize the gas pains and nausea.

If you develop a fever, severe pain in abdomen, or bright red bleeding from the rectum you need to call 911 or go to the nearest ER.

Questions

Call 855-429-7633 Hays Med ONE CALL

References

- Before Colonoscopy, HaysMed Care Notes
- Colonoscopy, HaysMed Care Notes
- NPO Status for Elective Surgical Patients, HaysMed Policy, 11/27/2019

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using this QR code to
access videos about
your procedure.



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Hays Medical Center provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:

- Qualified sign language interpreters
- Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)

Hays Medical Center provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:

- Qualified interpreters
- Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact the Director of Clinical Care Coordination at 785.623.5297, or the Operator at 785.623.5000.

If you believe that Hays Medical Center has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance with:

Chief Legal Officer
 Hays Medical Center
 2220 Canterbury Drive
 Hays, Kansas 67601
 Telephone Number: 785.650.2759
 TTY/TDD or State Relay Number: 800.766.3777 (V/T); or Dial 711
 Fax: 785.623.5524
 Email: joannah.applequist@haysmed.com

You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, Joannah Applequist, Chief Legal Officer, is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
 200 Independence Avenue, SW
 Room 509F, HHH Building
 Washington, D.C. 20201
 1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.

ATTENTION: If you speak a language other than English, language assistance services are available to you free of charge. Call 1-855-429-7633 (TTY: 1-800-766-3777).

SPANISH

ATENCIÓN: si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 1-855-429-7633 (TTY: 1-800-766-3777).

VIETNAMESE

CHÚ Ý: Nếu bạn nói Tiếng Việt, có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho bạn. Gọi số 1-855-429-7633 (TTY: 1-800-766-3777).

CHINESE

注意: 如果您使用繁體中文, 您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電1-855-429-7633 (TTY: 1-800-766-3777)。

GERMAN

ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlos sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 1-855-429-7633 (TTY: 1-800-766-3777).

KOREAN

주의: 한국어를 사용하시는 경우, 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. 1-855-429-7633 (TTY: 1-800-766-3777) 번으로 전화해 주십시오.

LAOTIAN

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ແມ່ນມີໄວ້ສຳລັບທ່ານ. ໂທ 1-855-429-7633 (TTY: 1-800-766-3777).

ARABIC

ملاحظة: بالمجان لك تتوافر اللغوية المساعدة خدمات فإن، اللغة اذكر تتحدث كنت إذا: ملحوظة 1-855-429-7633 (TTY: 1-800-766-3777) برقم اتصل.

TAGALOG

PAUNAWA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa 1-855-429-7633 (TTY: 1-800-766-3777)

BURMESE

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စီစဉ်ဆောင်ရွက်ပေးပါမည်။

ဖုန်းနံပါတ် 1-855-429-7633 (TTY: 1-800-766-3777) သို့ ခေါ်ဆိုပါ။

FRENCH

ATTENTION : Si vous parlez français, des services d'aide linguistique vous sont proposés gratuitement. Appelez le 1-855-429-7633 (TTY: 1-800-766-3777).

JAPANESE

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HMONG

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PERSIAN (FARSI)

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