

Halflytely Instructions

1. If your procedure will take place in our office please arrive one hour before your scheduled time.

2. If your procedure is scheduled at Saint Catherine of Siena please call (631) 862-3636 between the hours of 12 p.m. and 2 p.m. the day before your procedure to confirm your arrival time.

- You will need to pick up your Preparation Kit from your local pharmacy a few days before your procedure.
- **Confirm your ride arrangements.** You **must have an adult** over the age of 18 accompany you, even if you take public transportation. **Your procedure will be cancelled** if you have not made arrangements. You **will not be able to drive** the remainder of your procedural day.
- Please bring your **completed medication reconciliation form**. This was given to you the day you scheduled your procedure.
- If you take **Coumadin, Plavix, Lovenox** or any other **anti-coagulant/anti-platelet medication** (blood thinners) you should **stop** your medication **2-7 days** prior to your procedure. You should discuss this with our office two weeks before your procedure. You may continue to take your **blood pressure medications** and **aspirin** if prescribed for your **heart condition**.
- If you are a **diabetic** on **insulin** or **oral medication**, you should have received **special instructions** on what to do the day before and the morning of your procedure. Please **contact the office** if you have any questions.
- If you take **anti-inflammatory** and/or **arthritis** medication, please **discontinue 5 days before** procedure. You may take **Tylenol** for pain.
- We must know if you have an **implanted defibrillator (AICD)**, **pacemaker** or **artificial heart valve**. If you have not already done so, please contact the office with this information.
- Please bring your **inhaler**.
- Please wear **loose fitting clothes** on the day of your procedure. You may brush your teeth.
- Remove jewelry and leave at home.

HALFLYTELY COLONOSCOPY PREPARATION

** The day before the exam, you may only drink "clear liquids." These include: coffee, tea, ginger ale, cola, sprite, Gatorade, clear broth (chicken or beef), juices without pulp, iced tea, Jell-O, iced pops and Italian ices. **Please do not have any red or purple products. NO SOLID FOODS OR MILK PRODUCTS MAY BE CONSUMED.** No gum or candy allowed. Please drink at least 8 glasses of clear liquids during the course of the day. It is very important to stay hydrated while you are prepping.

1) In the **morning**, add water to bring total volume to 2 liters (level is marked on the bottle). Mix and shake well till dissolved. Do not add additional flavoring or ingredients. Refrigerate this until you are ready to drink.

b) At **12 noon**, take 1 Bisacodyl tablet by mouth. This is included in the prep kit.

c) Once you have had a bowel movement after taking the Bisacodyl tab, start drinking the Halflytely. **Drink one 8 oz. glass every 15 minutes** until you have finished the container.

d) If you have not had a bowel movement after the Bisacodyl by **5 p.m.** start drinking the Halflytely at this time.

e) **Working patients** may take the Bisacodyl tab at 4:30 p.m. and start drinking the HalfLyteLy at 7:30 p.m.

B. The Day of Your Procedure

1. Do **not eat** anything after midnight on the day of your procedure. You **may not drink anything** less than 6 hours before your procedure.

DAY OF YOUR PROCEDURE DO NOT EAT ANY FOOD!