Important Things to Know:

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- 1. 5 days before the procedure DO NOT TAKE: Warfarin (Coumadin), Aggrenox, Plavix, Effient, iron or iron containing supplements, Vitamin E or Vitamin E containing supplements, fish oil, or any medications that are considered blood thinners. Please call your cardiologist to get clearance before holding your prescription blood thinners and let us know. DO NOT TAKE any fiber supplements such as Metamucil, Konsyl, Fibersure, Benefiber, or Fibercon. Do not eat seeds or nuts one week prior to the exam.
- 2. The day before the prep, drink a full glass of liquid, every hour up until the beginning of the prep. After completing the evening prep, continue to drink a full glass of liquid every hour until you go to sleep. (The more liquids you drink, the cleaner your colon will be.)
- 3. If you have a living will or advance directive please bring a copy with you on the day of the procedure. If you do not have one, please disregard. It is required that a copy be placed in your chart, only if available.
- 4. If you usually take medications for blood pressure, heart problems or seizures it is recommended that you take them with only a sip of water first thing in the morning on the day of your procedure. If you have any chronic medical conditions that require continuous medications, please ask the prescribing doctor before stopping these medications.
- 5. You must bring a driver with you. All patients are sedated so if you do not have a driver the procedure cannot be performed and will be rescheduled. The person that comes with you is required to stay at LRDC during your procedure. No public transportation allowed which includes taxis, Medicaid rides, or other public transport (unless you have a family member or friend that will ride with you.)
- 6. Colon preparation affects everyone differently so you may want to bring an extra set of clothing and a towel with you in the event of an accident, especially if you are traveling a long distance. Wear comfortable clothing.

Preparation Instructions

2 days before your procedure begin you clear liquid diet at NOON.

The day before your procedure:

- 1. Continue on the clear liquid diet. The more liquids, the better. NO SOLID FOODS.
- 2. Drink atleast one 8-ounce cup of clear liquids every hour throughout the day. Do this hourly until you begin the prep regimen.
- 3. If you take medications at night, you may take those as you do regularly, as long as they are *not* included in the medications listed above.
- 4. Begin your Moviprep regimen at 7 pm. Follow this with <u>AT LEAST</u> five 8-ounce cups of clear liquids. The more you hydrate, the more likely you will have a successful prep.

The day of your procedure:

- 1. At 5 am, begin packet 2 of your Moviprep. Followed by at least three 8-ounce cups of clear liquids. Have nothing to eat or drink after these three cups.
- 2. If you have heart, blood pressure, or seizure medications that you must take in the morning, you may take those with your liquids early in the morning.

Clear Liquid Diet

Clear liquids include any liquid that you can see through.

Avoid anything red or purple. Do not drink milk or milk products, vegetable juices, or fruit juices with pulp.

Some recommended items for you clear liquid diet:

Water

Clear Juice

Tea

Jell-O

Gatorade/Powerade

Kool-Aid

Lemonade

Black Coffee (no dairy)

Broth/Bouillon cubes

^{*}Please call Dr. Hughes' nurse, Bethany, at (501) 221-5881 with any questions or concerns.

^{*}Call the Endoscopy Front Desk at (501) 221-5845 with any questions the day of your exam.