

Colonoscopy Suprep Preparation and Instructions

Please follow these instructions carefully. This will avoid having to reschedule if you are not fully cleaned out. You will be called the week prior to verify your appointment and answer any questions you may have.

If you experience nausea during this preparation, take a 45-minute break, then resume drinking the prep.

5 Days Before Your Colonoscopy

You will need to obtain a prescription from your physician. Please pick up a prescription for Preopik from your pharmacy. Please also purchase two Dulcolax tablets (5 mg).

Stop taking the following:

- Ibuprofen, Advil, or any other NSAID (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug).
- Fish Oil
- Pepto Bismol
- Iron supplements or multivitamins with iron
- Fiber supplements
- Food with seeds or nuts including strawberries, tomatoes and bananas

1 Day Before Your Colonoscopy

Do not eat solid foods. Drink clear liquids only (nothing red, blue, or purple).

You may drink these clear liquids

- Water
- Popsicles
- Clear fruit juices such as apple or white grape
- Coffee or tea without cream or dairy
- Gatorade
- Soft drinks, lemon, iced tea Crystal Light
- Plain flavored or unflavored Jello (no red, blue, or purple)

1 pm

- Take two Dulcolax tablets

5 pm

- Mix one bottle of Suprep with water

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7 pm

- Drink the Suprep solution over one hour (one 8 oz glass every 15 minutes)
- Drink an additional two (2) to four (4) 8 oz glasses of clear liquids for remaining part of evening

Day of Your Colonoscopy

Do not eat solid foods. Drink clear liquids only until 2 hours prior to your procedure.

5 Hours before scheduled colonoscopy

- Mix the second bottle of Suprep in 8 oz of water
- Drink the Suprep solution
- Drink four (4) to six (6) 8 oz of water every 15 minutes

2 Hours before scheduled colonoscopy

- Stop all liquids 2 hours before your scheduled colonoscopy time
- Do NOT eat solid foods

Morning medications can be taken with a TINY amount of water EXCEPT diabetic patients who will need to call their primary care provider for instructions.

Please remember

- Arrive at the time indicated on the front of this pamphlet.
- Have a responsible person adult driver to take you home and stay with you.

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