

TO ENSURE A SUCCESSFUL PROCEDURE, PLEASE FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS ON THIS SHEET CAREFULLY. FAILURE TO DO SO COULD RESULT IN YOUR PROCEDURE BEING POSTPONED OR CANCELLED.

PLEASE NOTIFY OUR OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING AFTER YOUR OFFICE VISIT AND PRIOR TO YOUR PROCEDURE DATE: HEART PROBLEMS/CARDIAC EVENTS, LUNG PROBLEMS, PENDING WORKUPS WITH CARDIOLOGY AND/OR PULMONOLOGY.

1 WEEK BEFORE YOUR ESOPHAGOGASTRODUODENOSCOPY (EGD)	THE DAY OF YOUR ESOPHAGOGASTRODUODENOSCOPY (EGD)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>STOP</b> TAKING THE FOLLOWING MEDICATIONS AND/OR SUPPLEMENTS:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>IRON</u> AND ALL VITAMINS CONTAINING IRON</li> <li><b>GLP-1 AGONISTS, SUCH AS:</b> OZEMPIC, RYBELSUS, WEGOVY, MOUNJARO, ADLYXIN, VICTOZA, BYDUREON, BYETTA, OR TRULICITY</li> </ul> </li> <li><u>CONTACT OUR OFFICE OR YOUR PRESCRIBING PROVIDER FOR INSTRUCTIONS ON BLOOD THINNERS</u></li> <li><b>IF YOU ARE TAKING AN H2 BLOCKER OR PROTON PUMP INHIBITOR (PPI) SUCH AS OMEPRAZOLE, PROTONIX, ETC. YOU MUST ASK YOUR DOCTOR FOR INSTRUCTIONS ON HOLDING THAT MEDICATION BEFORE YOUR PROCEDURE.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>IF YOU TAKE BLOOD PRESSURE OR SEIZURE MEDICATIONS, TAKE THEM WITH A SIP OF WATER.</b> NO OTHER MEDICATION UNTIL AFTER THE PROCEDURE.</li> <li><b>NO DRIVING:</b> YOU MUST HAVE SOMEONE WITH YOU ALL DAY AND THEY MUST DRIVE YOU TO AND FROM THE FACILITY.</li> <li>WEAR COMFORTABLE CLOTHES THAT ARE EASY TO DRESS/ UNDESS</li> <li>WEAR SHOES THAT ARE EASY TO GET ON/ OFF</li> <li>BRING PHOTO ID AND INSURANCE CARD</li> <li>YOU CAN HAVE YOUR CELL PHONE, BUT WE MAY ASK THAT IT BE TURNED OFF DURING THE PROCEDURE</li> <li>LEAVE ALL JEWELRY AND VALUABLES AT HOME</li> <li><u>BRING ALL YOUR MEDICATIONS IN THEIR BOTTLES</u></li> </ul>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>YOUR STOMACH <u>MUST BE EMPTY.</u></li> <li>PLAN TO EAT LIGHTER/ LESS FOOD THAN YOU NORMALLY WOULD.</li> <li>DRINK PLENTY OF WATER AND STAY HYDRATED</li> <li><b>DO NOT</b> DRINK ALCOHOL.</li> <li><b>12:00AM/MIDNIGHT:</b> NOTHING MORE TO EAT OR DRINK(NPO). NO GUM, NO SMOKING, NO VAPING, NO NICOTINE PRODUCTS OF ANY KIND.</li> </ul>	<div>ARRIVE AT THE FACILITY:</div> <div>-----</div> <div>-----</div> <div>-----</div> <div>-----</div> <div>AT THIS TIME:</div> <div>-----:----- AM/PM</div>

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## IMPORTANT FACTS AND FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

QUESTION(S):	ANSWER(S):
<p><b>Q. WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I TAKE A BLOOD THINNER MEDICATION?</b> I.E.: COUMADIN, PLAVIX, XARELTO, ELIQUIS, ETC.</p>	<p><b>A. LET YOUR GASTROENTEROLOGIST OR A NURSE AT SGI KNOW WHICH BLOOD THINNER MEDICATION YOU TAKE AND WHICH DOCTOR PRESCRIBES THE MEDICATION. SGI WILL GET A CLEARANCE LETTER AND CALL YOU TO REVIEW WHEN TO HOLD THE BLOOD THINNER BEFORE YOUR PROCEDURE.</b></p>
<p><b>Q. WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I HAVE DIABETES?</b></p>	<p><b>A. ASK FOR DIABETIC PREP INSTRUCTIONS WHEN YOU SCHEDULE YOUR PROCEDURE, OR CALL SGI AND TALK TO A NURSE OR SCHEDULER TO REQUEST DIABETIC INSTRUCTIONS FOR YOUR PROCEDURE.</b></p>
<p><b>Q. WHO DO I CALL IF I NEED TO CANCEL OR RESCHEDULE MY PROCEDURE?</b></p>	<p><b>A. CALL SGI AT 706-655-8800, EXTENSION 308 OR 301 AND SPEAK TO A PROCEDURE SCHEDULER. PLEASE NOTIFY US AT LEAST 3 BUSINESS DAYS IN ADVANCE TO AVOID A LATE-NOTICE FEE.</b></p>
<p><b>Q. SHOULD I CALL SOUTHEASTERN GASTROENTEROLOGY IF I GO TO THE ER BEFORE MY PROCEDURE DATE?</b></p>	<p><b>A. YES! CALL SGI AND SPEAK TO A NURSE TO NOTIFY THE PROVIDER OF ANY CHANGES IN YOUR STATUS, SYMPTOMS, MEDICATIONS, OR OVERALL HEALTH PRIOR TO YOUR PROCEDURE. THIS HELPS US PREVENT LAST MINUTE CANCELLATION OF YOUR PROCEDURE(S).</b></p>
<p><b>Q. WHAT HAPPENS AFTER MY PROCEDURE IS SCHEDULED?</b></p>	<p><b>A. YOU WILL RECEIVE A REMINDER CALL FROM SOUTHEASTERN GASTROENTEROLOGY (SGI) 2-3 DAYS PRIOR TO YOUR PROCEDURE TO REVIEW YOUR PREP INSTRUCTIONS, MEDICATION HOLDING REQUIREMENTS, AND REVIEW WHERE TO GO AND WHAT TIME TO ARRIVE FOR YOUR PROCEDURE.</b></p>