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# ESOPHAGOGASTRODUODENOSCOPY (EGD) PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

Appointment Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_/

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DR. MEJDI AHMAD

DR. ROBERT MELTZER

- 1. We will call you to confirm within 72 hours of your appointment to review these instructions.
- 2. DO NOT EAT OR DRINK ANYTHING (including water) AFTER MIDNIGHT ON THE NIGHT PRIOR TO YOUR PROCEDURE.
- 3. A responsible adult should accompany you home from the procedure. DRIVING IS NOT ALLOWED ON THE DAY OF THE PROCEDURE.
- 4. <u>Do not take Aspirin, NSAIDS (Motrin, Ibuprofen, etc.), Coumadin, Plavix or any blood thinners for 3</u> <u>days prior to your procedure</u>. If you have any questions about this, please discuss with your GI doctor.
- 5. One hour after your procedure you may resume your normal diet and regular medications. A slight sore throat is normal following the procedure. Gargling with warm salt water may help relieve soreness.
- 6. If you have any questions or need to speak with the GI staff, please call (212) 223-0996 from 7:00AM to 4:00PM or email <u>GITEAM@MOMNYC.COM</u>.

<u>COVID-19 Information</u>: COVID TESTING IS REQUIRED WITHIN 1 CALENDAR DAY OF THE PROCEDURE REGARDLESS OF YOUR VACCINATION STATUS. THIS INCLUDES A RAPID ANTIGEN OR PCR TEST.

#### **Additional Information:**

All patients must complete a GI consult within 30 days of any scheduled procedure. This consult is required in order to get approval for anesthesia for the procedure.

### Insurance Clearance and Coverage Info:

Many insurance plans have in-network or out-of-network co-pays, deductibles, and coinsurance that may not be determined by the insurance company until the claim has been submitted. In-network doctors **CANNOT legally waive or discount** co-pays, deductibles, or coinsurance.

Please **bring a CREDIT CARD on the day of the procedure**. This will be kept in our files to cover any out-of-pocket costs. If any costs are not covered, you will be notified by our anesthesia billing department (Diana 718-974-9742).

## Anesthesia Coverage:

Our anesthesiologists are Dr. Carlon and Dr. DiGiovanni. We will make any reasonable efforts to contact you before the procedure to discuss your expected out-of-pocket costs, if any. For anesthesia questions or anesthesia billing questions, you can reach Dr. Carlon directly via phone (646) 244-0950, email gccarlon@gmail.com, or his assistant Diana (718) 974-9742.