

## Colonoscopy Preparation Instructions (morning examination 4 litres fluids)

2 Days Prior:

Avoid raw fruits and vegetables, whole wheat or high fiber foods. Examples of a low fiber diet include (but not limited to): white bread, white rice, pasta, fish, chicken, eggs, creamy peanut butter, cooked/steamed/boiled vegetables, milk, plain yogurt and cheese.

1 day before your appointment

- ✓ You are advised that you may need to take the afternoon off work on this day.
- ✓ You should expect frequent bowel actions starting within 3 hours of starting your bowel preparation. Some abdominal cramping is normal, stay within easy reach of the toilet.

## **Diet List**

No milk in any form ( small quantity is allowed).

Foods you can eat

Meat: lean meat for example chicken, turkey, beef, ham and rabbit.

Fish: white fish only (do not fry).

Eggs: boiled, poached or scrambled only - no milk to be used.

Vegetables: No Vegetables other than potatoes boiled or mashed only – no milk to be used. Cereals: white rice and pasta, boiled only – no wholemeal varieties.

Bread: white bread and white bread rolls only.

Other: plain jelly, rich tea biscuits, honey, golden syrup, white sugar,

artificial sweeteners, boiled sweets and salt.

<u>Clear Fluids</u>: Black tea or coffee, fruit squash (not real fruit juice), marmite, oxo, Bovril, soda water, water, flavoured water, herbal/fruit teas.

Have a good breakfast, (no fruits and vegetables, whole wheat or high fiber foods). Have a light lunch taken from the diet list.

At 4 pm start your bowel preparations as follows: If colonoscopy is scheduled in the morning, the whole preparation should be conducted in the afternoon and evening of the preceding day. In particular:

Each Fortrans sachet (four in total) should be dissolved in 1 l of still water (4 l in total); To improve the flavour, the solution may be chilled or lemon juice added;

From the moment of starting taking the Fortrans preparation, do not eat anything; drinking of clear liquids is allowed and plain jelly.

## On the day of the procedure:

Nothing by mouth

