# COLONOSCOPY PREP INSTRUCTIONS (PM exam) Miralax (same as Glycolax)

#### You will need to purchase: .

Bowel Prep Powder – such as Miralax – need a 238 gram (8.3 ounce) bottle

(4) Bisacodyl laxative tablets (5 milligram tablets) (See back on this sheet for list of brands to choose from)

64 oz. bottles of re-hydration (sports) drink - nothing red (See back of this sheet for list of brands to choose from)

# **DAY ONE** = one day prior to colonoscopy appointment

7:00	You may have a light breakfast within this time. For example:
am-10:00	Toast and Egg or cereal are ok.
am	
10:00 am	Begin clear liquid diet (list on back) Absolutely <b>NO</b> food or
	alcohol after 10:00 am.
10:00 am	Take 2 bisacodyl tablets with water
3:00 pm	Take remaining 2 bisacodyl tablets with water (do not crush
	or chew and do not take within 1 hour of taking an antacid
4:00 pm	Mix all 238 gm Miralax powder with all 64 ounce sports
	re-hydration drink. This will be split into two doses. Before
	mixing, pour bowel prep powder in an empty pitcher or
	container and add re-hydration drink. Chill if desired.
6:00 pm	Start to drink the first dose (32 oz.) of bowel prep. Drink (1)
_	8oz. glass every 15 minutes over a one hour period. Drink
	each glass quickly rather than drinking small amounts
	continuously. Continue to drink clear liquids the remainder
	of the evening.

# $\underline{DAY \ TWO} = day \ of \ colonoscopy \ exam$

7:00 AM	Begin drinking the second dose of bowel prep (32 oz.) Drink over a 1 hour period, finishing by 8:00 am.
1.	Starting 2 hours before your colonoscopy, stop <b>ALL</b> fluids. Take nothing (NO FOOD OR DRINK) by mouth.
2.	For use of your medications, refer to the orange medication instruction sheet enclosed.
3.	Call (585) 461-2498 if you have any questions regarding any
	of these instructions.
4.	Arrive at your assigned time.

<sup>\*\*</sup>We encourage clear liquid intake up to 2 hours before your procedure time\*\*

### <u>CLEAR LIQUIDS</u> (NO ALCOHOL): \*Do not drink any liquid that is RED\*

- Water
- Clear juices (apple, white grape juice, orange drink, white cranberry juice)

DO NOT USE STOOL SOFTENERS

- Black coffee or tea (no creamers) sugar OK
- Bouillon or clear broth
- Soda pop (Sprite, Ginger-ale, Mountain Dew), Gatorade (no red)
- Jell-o (no red), popsicles (no red), Lemon Ice

## **BOWEL PREP TABLETS:** (any of these brands)

These are the PILLS to take at the start of your bowel prep

- Bisacodyl (Generic)
- Dulcolax
- Dulcogen
- Alophen
- Bisco-lax
- Carters Little Pills
- Colax
- Fleet Bisacodyl
- Modane

### RE-HYDRATION (SPORT) DRINKS: 64 oz \*NO RED DRINKS\*

This is the liquid used to mix with the powder (below)

- Powerade (contains less sugar than Gatorade)
- Powerade zero (even less sugar, best for diabetics)
- G2 (same amount of electrolytes as Gatorade, just less calories)
- MVP sports drink-Wegmans brand
- MVP 2 sports drink-Wegmans brand (best for diabetics)
- AllSport
- HydraLife powder
- Gatorade

#### **BOWEL PREP POWDER**

This is the powder to mix with the liquid (above)

- Glycolax
- PureLax
- ClearLax
- Miralax

#### **Please Note:**

- Please wear socks as it sometimes can get cool in the procedure room.
- No nail polish on fingers only (you do not need to remove acrylic nails). The nail polish may interfere with the oxygen sensor that is placed on your finger.
- Diabetics may use Powerade Zero as it contains less sugar than regular Powerade.