HALFLYTELY COLONOSCOPY INSTRUCTIONS

DO NOT EAT ANY SOLID FOOD THE ENTIRE DAY BEFORE

DO NOT FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS ON YOUR PREP BOX AND DO NOT EAT A LIGHT BREAKFAST THE DAY BEFORE

Absolutely NO Chewing Tobacco or Dip Products After Midnight!!!

□ Colorectal Surgical and Gastroenterology Associates (CSGA Surgery Center), 2620 Wilhite Drive. Wilhite Drive is on the corner of New Circle Road and Nicholasville Road. (Starbuck's is on the corner) The Surgery Center is on the right in the Professional Plaza Building. Enter the building and follow the signs to Suite 103.

<u>Time involved</u>: Approximately 2 to 3 hours from walk in to walk out.

<u>Sedation</u>: You will be sedated with an IV conscious sedation or Propofol or this procedure which is used to relax you and make you feel sleepy. As a result, time will appear to pass very quickly and you will not recall much or, perhaps, even anything at all of what has happened. <u>Therefore, you must bring someone with you to drive you home that is willing to accept the responsibility for your care. If you are taking Contrave, Suboxone, Naltrexone, Naloxone and/or Narcan, please notify our office to make sure your procedure is scheduled with Propofol.</u>

TEN DAYS BEFORE: Do not consume anything containing OLESTRA, a "fake fat" that is sometimes found in no fat foods.

SEVEN DAYS BEFORE: Stop taking **Plavix (Clopidogrel), Brilinta or Effient**. We **REQUIRE** that you seek permission from your prescribing physician before stopping. If you wish to discuss this issue further, please call or make an appointment to see your physician at Colorectal Surgical & Gastroenterology.

<u>THREE DAYS BEFORE:</u> Stop taking <u>Ticlid, Coumadin, Warfarin, Xarelto, Eliquis, Pradaxa or Aggrenox</u>. We recommend that you seek permission from your prescribing physician before stopping. If you wish to discuss this issue further, please call or make an appointment to see your physician at Colorectal Surgical & Gastroenterology.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO TAKE YOUR ASPIRIN DAILY

IF YOU USE A NEBULIZER OR INHALER, PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING IT WITH YOU TO YOUR PROCEDURE

Take other medications as you normally would during your prep with the exception of laxatives and fiber products. If you take diabetes medications, please check with the physician that monitors your diabetes for any special instructions.

Your body loses significant amounts of fluid during bowel preparation. In order to prevent dehydration, it is important to supplement that fluid loss with clear liquids. Make a conscious effort to drink as much as you can before, and after your procedure.

THE DAY BEFORE: Stop taking Lovenox. NO SOLID FOOD. Follow a clear liquid diet all day of: apple juice, white grape juice, BLACK coffee only, tea, water, clear broth or bouillon, soft drinks, Gatorade, jell-o, and popsicles (any color is fine). Dairy and Non-Dairy products are NOT allowed. NO chewing tobacco or dip products after midnight.

PLEASE BRING: A list of all of your medications to the hospital with dosage and frequency information.

COLONOSCOPY PRESCRIPTION PREP INSTRUCTIONS:

The day before at **4:00 p.m.** - take **Bisacodyl** tablet that is included in the kit. At **6:00 p.m**. start drinking 8oz of **HalfLytely** every 15 minutes until you have consumed half of the container. You may still have clear liquids the remainder of the night. The morning of your procedure, **Five hours** before your arrival time, drink 8oz of **HalfLytely** every 15 minutes until you have consumed the entire container. **Nothing by mouth 3 hours before you arrive.**

What to Do If You Develop Nausea or Vomiting While Taking Your Colonoscopy Prep

<u>First:</u> Slow down taking the prep. Instead of taking it every 15-20 minutes, stop for 30 minutes or more and then resume taking the medication, only more slowly, with longer intervals between doses *if* needed. You can also take an anti-nausea medication if you have one at home, such as Phenergan or Reglan.

Second: If vomiting persists, during regular business hours, you can call our office at 859-278-8486 for an alternated prep solution.

<u>Third:</u> If your vomiting persists, despite the above measures, you can call the on-call physician (Medical Society Exchange 859-276-2594) for an anti-nausea medication prescription to assist you in completing the colonoscopy prep.

<u>Finally:</u> Once the vomiting subsides, make sure you drink plenty of clear fluids. Drink as much as you can tolerate. This will help prevent dehydration and adverse reactions related to the colonoscopy prep.