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## Miralax Preparation for Children Having Colonoscopy and/or Endoscopy

You are scheduled for a colonoscopy/endoscopy in the **Pediatric GI Unit** located in the  
**May Johnson Wikstrom Surgical Center** at **Newton-Wellesley Hospital**.

The date of the procedure is: \_\_\_\_\_

Please arrive at: \_\_\_\_\_ (1 hour prior to procedure)

The procedure begins at: \_\_\_\_\_.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ARRIVAL TIME CAN CHANGE DUE TO  
CANCELLATIONS OR EMERGENCIES. IF TIME IS CHANGED, YOU WILL BE  
NOTIFIED THE DAY PRIOR TO PROCEDURE

What you need to do BEFORE you start to prepare for your procedure:

1. Call 1-866-211-6588 to update your registration (if not done within 6 months)
2. Be sure you have an insurance referral, if required by your insurance company. Please contact your insurance to be sure MGH is in Network with your policy & if you require authorization for your procedure.

### **Buy at your local drugstore:**

- One Child Fleet Enema (your pharmacist may need to order this)
- Clear liquid drinks from the list below

### **Two nights before the procedure:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Give your child a capful of Miralax after dinner. Each capful should be mixed in 8 oz of liquid (not red).

### **One day before the procedure:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Give your child less for breakfast than you normally would.
- After breakfast, give your child only clear liquids for the rest of the day (see list below).



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- Give your child **1 capful of Miralax at 12:00pm, 12:30pm, 1:00pm, 1:30pm, 2:00pm, 2:30, 3:00pm, 3:30pm, 4:00pm** (9 capfuls in total).
- After your child takes the Miralax, please give 8-24 ounces of clear liquids over the next several hours.

**Day of the procedure:** \_\_\_\_\_

- On the day of the procedure, your child may **ONLY** have clear liquids. Give your child these fluids until \_\_\_\_\_
- After \_\_\_\_\_, do not give your child **anything** to eat or drink.
- If your child still has consistently loose stool the day of the procedure, give a Child's Fleet Enema before coming to the hospital.

### Clear Liquids

Your child can have any of the items listed below. However, please **do not** give your child any liquid that has red food coloring.

Water

Broth

Popsicles (no red)

Apple Juice

White Grape Juice

Electrolyte replacement drinks like Pedialyte or Generic Electrolyte Brand (no red)

**If your child has trouble with this preparation, or if you have any questions, please call (617) 243-6723.**

**After 5:00 p.m., call 617-726-8705, and have the Pediatric Gastroenterologist FELLOW paged.**