

UPPER ENDOSCOPY CONSENT FORM

CONSENT FOR PROCEDURE



Patient: _____

1. PROCEDURE AND ALTERNATIVES: I, (patient or authorized representative) authorize Dr. _____ to perform procedure: **Esophagogastroduodenscopy (Upper Endoscopy, EGD) with possible biopsy, esophageal or gastric outlet dilation).**

I understand the reason for the procedure is: **Examination of the esophagus, stomach and duodenum with possible removal of tissue for diagnosis. There may also be possible dilation of a stricture of the esophagus or gastric outlet.**

Alternatives include: x-rays, do nothing, or _____

2. RISKS: This authorization is given with the understanding that any procedure involves some risks and hazards. The more common risks include: infection, bleeding, nerve injury, blood clots, heart attack, allergic reactions, aspiration pneumonia and missed lesions. These risks can be serious and possibly fatal. Some significant and substantial risks of this particular procedure include: **BLEEDING OR PERFORATION. IF EITHER OF THESE COMPLICATIONS OCCUR, TREATMENT MAY INCLUDE HOSPITALIZATION, SURGERY OR BLOOD TRANSFUSION.**

3. SEDATION AND ANESTHESIA: The administration of sedation and anesthesia also involves risks, most importantly a rare risk of reaction to medications causing death. I consent to the use of such sedatives or anesthetics as may be considered necessary by the person responsible for these services.

4. RESUSCITATION: I desire all resuscitative measures be employed during the procedure.

5. ADDITIONAL PROCEDURES: If my physician discovers a different, unsuspected condition at the time of the procedure, I authorize the physician to perform such treatment as deemed necessary to improve health.

6. I understand that no guarantee or assurance has been made as to the results of the procedure and that it may not cure the condition.

7. I consent to the photographing of the procedure to be performed for medical purposes.

8. I consent to the admittance of medical or paramedical observers to the procedure room.

9. I hereby request and authorize this health care facility to preserve for scientific or teaching purposes or otherwise dispose of the removed tissue resulting from the procedures authorized above. I further authorize the pathologist, whose services may be required, to use discretion in the disposal.

NOTE: IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROCEDURE, OR THE RISKS OR CONSEQUENCES ASSOCIATED WITH IT, TALK WITH YOUR PHYSICIAN. YOU MAY WITHDRAW THE CONSENT FOR THIS PROCEDURE AT ANY TIME PRIOR TO ITS PERFORMANCE. DO NOT SIGN THIS CONSENT UNLESS YOU HAVE READ AND THOROUGHLY UNDERSTAND THIS FORM.

Patient/Authorized Representative

Date and Time

Relationship of Authorized Representative

PHYSICIAN DECLARATION: I have discussed the procedure, risks, complications, consequences, and alternatives with the patient or patient's representative, and to the best of my knowledge, the patient or representative understands this information and consents to the proposed procedure.

Physician's Signature



UPPER ENDOSCOPY PREP

Your physician has scheduled you for an Upper Endoscopy (EGD). Please follow the instructions below.

- ✓ If you need to cancel or reschedule your procedure for any reason, please call the Endoscopy Scheduler at 970-663-2159 at least 48 hours prior to your exam.
- ✓ For questions after hours call 970-669-5432 and ask for the gastroenterologist on-call.
- ✓ **Completely fill out the “TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF” and “MEDICATION” forms in your packet. Bring the completed forms and your packet with you the day of your procedure.**

General Information:

- ✓ Make arrangements to have a responsible adult drive you home. Public transportation is not allowed unless you have an adult to accompany you. Your driver should plan to stay at the facility during your procedure.
- ✓ After the procedure, you should have an adult with you for 4 to 6 hours.
- ✓ Take your prescribed medications as you normally would up until 2 hours before your procedure.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PROCEDURE:

- ✓ You should **STOP ALL SOLID FOOD for 8 hours before your procedure.**
- ✓ You should **STOP ALL LIQUIDS for 2 hours before your procedure.**
(Take nothing by mouth for these 2 hours—this includes NO hard candy, chewing gum or water.)

DIABETIC INSTRUCTIONS:

- ✓ If you are a **diabetic and your procedure is scheduled to be done in the morning,** hold your medications or insulin in the morning of the procedure. We suggest you check your blood sugar at least 4 times a day at mealtime and bedtime.
- ✓ If you are **diabetic and your procedure is scheduled to be done in the afternoon,** contact your primary care physician to confirm how to take your diabetic medications. We suggest you check your blood sugar at least 4 times a day at mealtimes and bedtime.



WHAT TO EXPECT AFTER YOUR UPPER ENDOSCOPY

Dear Patient:

Please follow these guidelines to ensure the best possible outcome after your procedure:

- ✓ Do not drive, operate hazardous machinery, or make critical legal decisions for at least 12 hours.
- ✓ You should be in the presence of an adult for 4-6 hours after your procedure.
- ✓ Resume medications when you start eating unless otherwise instructed.
- ✓ Mild bloating is normal. Discomfort can be relieved by walking.
- ✓ You may have a slightly sore throat which could last 1-2 days. Use warm salt-water gargles or lozenges.
- ✓ If biopsies are taken you will be contacted with results within 1-2 weeks.
- ✓ You should call us at 970-669-5432 immediately, and at any time of day or night, if you have a fever, severe throat or neck pain, or persistent abdominal, back or chest pains, shortness of breath, or any concerns.

