

## **Digestive Health Center**

## **CLENPIQ® BOWEL PREPARATION**

## **TIMELINE OF YOUR COLONOSCOPY PREPARATION**

When you go to the pharmacy to pick up your bowel preparation, please also pick up simethicone anti-gas tablets (Gas-X or any generic brand) which are available over-the-counter without a prescription. While this medicine isn't required, taking it as detailed below will improve the quality of your bowel preparation.

|                                | The Day Before Your Procedure   |
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| Between                        | 1. Take the first dose of Clenpiq® (1 bottle).  |
| 4:00 pm to<br>6:00 pm          | 2. <u>VERY IMPORTANT</u> . Follow the Clenpiq® by drinking five or more 8-ounce cups (cup provided) of clear liquids (40 ounces total) within 5 hours before bed. |
|                                | 3. Chew two tablets of simethicone 125mg chewable tablets. This can be purchased over-the-counter. This step is preferred, but not essential.                     |
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|                                | The Day of Your Procedure   |
| 5 hours                        | The Day of Your Procedure  1. Take the second dose (the second bottle) of Clenpiq®.   |
| 5 hours<br>Prior to<br>Arrival | ·   |

## **PREPARATION TIPS**

- 1. Since the bowel preparation will cause diarrhea, it is important to stay hydrated. Make a conscious effort to drink clear liquids throughout the day to prevent dehydration.
- 2. Try drinking the preparation with a straw as this may be easier to tolerate.
- 3. If you start to feel nauseated, you can pause for 20-30 minutes and then begin drinking the solution more slowly. Some patients say that walking around helps relieve their nausea.
- 4. Be sure to finish the entire prep or else the colon may not clean adequately which may result in you needing to repeat your colonoscopy within 6-12 months.
- 5. Your output/bowel movements should be clear (or yellow) after you've completed the bowel preparation. If you are still seeing solid stool/brown stool after completing the 2nd dose, please call our office 312-695-5620.