



ERCP PROCEDURE INFORMATION

(ENDOSCOPIC RETROGRADE CHOLANGIOPANCREATOGRAPHY)

You have been scheduled for an ERCP procedure at the Digestive Health Center at the University of Virginia Hospital. This procedure will be done under general anesthesia.

Your appointment is on _____. Please arrive to register at_____.

1. You will need to have a friend or family member attend this appointment. They will need to be able to drive you home. We will need to be able to contact them at all times while you are with us. If you live more than 30 minutes from a hospital emergency department, you may want to plan to spend the night at a hotel in Charlottesville after discharge from the hospital. We strongly urge you to arrange for someone to be with you the night after discharge so you are not alone.
2. Your time with us may range from 3-6 hours. In order to have seating for all Digestive Health patients, we ask that only one person be in the waiting room with you. Please leave all jewelry and piercings at home.
3. Do not have any solid food or hard candy after midnight the night before your procedure. You may continue to have fluids, except milk/dairy, up until three hours before you arrive for the procedure.
4. If you are on medicine for diabetes please call your Primary care doctor to have diabetic medicine doses changed for the day of your procedure, because you will not eat on the morning of your appointment.
5. If you are on prescription blood thinners, please call the Care Coordinator you have been working with to discuss the plan, if you have not already discussed the plan previously.
6. You may be asked to have additional lab work or other pre-testing as part of the preparation for anesthesia. The need for this is determined by your team and you will be notified if necessary.
7. If you use a machine at home to treat Sleep Apnea bring it with you to this appointment.

Thank you for using The Digestive Health Center at The University of Virginia.