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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR ENDOSCOPIC RETROGRADE
 CHOLANGIOPANCREATOGRAPHY (ERCP)**

Patient Name: _____ Procedure Facility: _____

Procedure Date: _____ Estimate Arrival Time: _____

Facility: North Broward Medical Center

Follow up Appointment: Date: _____ Time: _____

_____ Coral Springs office _____ Lighthouse Point Office

What is ERCP?

Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography, or ERCP, is a specialized technique used to study the bile ducts, pancreatic duct and gallbladder. Ducts are drainage routes; the drainage channels from the liver are called bile or biliary ducts. The pancreatic duct is the drainage channel from the pancreas.

Five to Seven Days before Your Procedure

- Do **NOT** take any aspirin, products containing aspirin, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory/NSAIDS (e.g. Aleve, Motrin, ibuprofen, naproxen), COX-2 Inhibitors (e.g. Celebrex), Pentoxifylline (Trental), Nabumetone (Relafen)
- Do **NOT** take iron supplements, vitamins or herbal supplements.
- Do **NOT** take clopidogril (Plavix), dipyridamole (Aggrenox, Persantine), or warfarin (Coumadin).

If you cannot stop taking these medications, please discuss this with your provider.

- Note: Acetaminophen products (e.g. Tylenol) are safe to use before your procedure.
- Arrange for transportation as you will not be allowed to drive after the procedure.

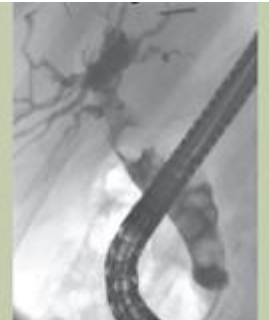
Day of ERCP

- Do **NOT** eat or drink anything after midnight (minimum of 8 hours before your procedure). If you must take your medication, you may take it with a few small sips of water.
- If you are **DIABETIC**, do not take your medication the morning of the procedure. If you must take your medication, take only half of your regular dose. Continue to check your blood sugars as you normally do.
- You may brush your teeth.
- Please arrive at the facility on time.
- You should not wear jewelry to the procedure.
- You will not be allowed to drive home. You may have a relative or friend drive you home. You may also go home in a taxi or by bus and must always be accompanied even upon arrival home.

What are possible complications of ERCP?

ERCP is a well-tolerated procedure when performed by doctors who are specially trained and experienced in the technique. Although complications requiring hospitalization can occur, they are uncommon. Complications can include pancreatitis (inflammation of the pancreas), infections, bowel perforation and bleeding. Some patients can have an adverse reaction to the sedative used. Sometimes the procedure cannot be completed for technical reasons.

Risks vary, depending on why the test is performed, what is found during the procedure, what therapeutic intervention is undertaken, and whether a patient has major medical problems. Patients undergoing therapeutic ERCP, such as for stone removal, face a higher risk of complications than patients undergoing diagnostic ERCP. Your doctor will discuss your likelihood of complications before you undergo the test.



ERCP is the most appropriate procedure to remove stones from the bile duct. On this X-ray, there are multiple stones lodged in the bile duct.



In this picture, a large bile duct stone is impacted at the major duodenal papilla causing obstruction and severe infection of the bile duct. In this case, ERCP is urgently required to relieve the obstruction.

**Please ensure you have a follow up appointment to discuss the test results with your provider.
Feel free to call our office with any questions or concerns. Good luck!**

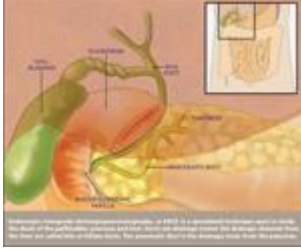
A minimum of 48 hours notice is required for cancellations for all procedures and office visits.

List of Aspirin or Aspirin Related Drugs

4-Way Cold Tablets	Children's Motrin Suspension	Ketrolac Tablets	Piroxicam Capsules
Adprin - B Tablets	Clinoril Tablets	Ketoprofen Capsules	Ponstel Capsules
A.S.A. Enseals	Congesprin	Lanorinal Tablets	Presalin Tablets
A.S.A. Tablets	Cope Tablets	Lodine Capsules /Tablets	Relafen Tablets
Aches-N Pain Tablets	Coricidin	LodineXL	Robaxisal Tablets
Advil	Coumadin	Lortab	Rufen Tablets
Alcohol	Darvon Compound Pulvules	Magan Tablets	S-A-C
Aleve Tablets	Darvon with A.S.A. Pulvules	Magnaprin Arthritis Strength Captabs	Saleta Tablets Capsules, Saleta-200 Tablets, Saleta-400,600,800 Tablets
Alka-Seltzer Products	Darvon Compound-65	Magsal Tablets	SalFlex Tablets
Amigesic capsules	Darvon-N with A.S.A. Dasin Capsules	Mamal Capusles	Salocol Tablets
Anacin Tablets and Capsules	Daypro Tablets	Marthritic Tablets	Salsalate Tablets
Anaprox, Anaprox DS Tablets	DiFlunisal	Maximum Bayer Aspirin	Salsitabs Tablets
Anodynos Tablets	Disalcid Capsules	Measurin Tablets	Sine-Aid
Ansaid Tablets	Doan's Pills	MecloFenamate Capsules	Sine-Off
APC	Dolobid Tablets	Meclomen Capsules	SK-65 Compound Capsules
Argesic Tablets	Dristan	Medipren Tablets and Caplets	Soma
Artha-G Tablets	Duoprin-S Syrup	Menadol Tablets	Soma CMD
Arthralgen Tablets	Duradyne Tablets	Meprogesic Tablets	St. Joseph Adult Chewable Aspirin
Arthritis Bayer Timed Release Aspirin	Easprin	Micrainin Tablets	St. Joseph Cold Tablets for Children
Arthritis Pain Formula Tablets	Ecotrin Tablets	Midol 200 Tablets	St. Joseph Aspirin for Children
Arthritis Strength Buffering Tablets	Emagrin Tablets	Midol, All products	Sulindac Tablets
Arthropan Liquid	Empirin Tablets	Mobidin Tablets	Supac
Arthrotec	Emprazil	Mobigesic Tablets	Synalgos Capsules
Ascodeen	Endodan Tablets	Momentum Tablets	Synalgos-DC Capsules
Ascriptin, All products	Epromate Tablets	Motrin Tablets	Talwin Compound Tablets
Asperbuf Tablets	Equagesic Tablets	Nalfon Capsules/Tablets	Tolectin 200,600 Tablets
Aspergum [chewing gum]	Equazine M Tablets	Nalfon Pulvules	Tolectin DS Capsules
Aspirin	Etodolac	Naprosyn Tablets/Suspension	Tolmetin Tablets/Capsules
Asprimox Tablets	Excedrin Tablets and Capsules	Naproxen Tablets	Toradol Injection/Tablets
Axdone	Feldene Capsules	Neocylate Tablets	Trendar Tablets
Axotal Tablets	Fenoprofen Tablets	Norgesic & Norgesic Forte Tablets	Tricosal Tablets
Bayer, All products	Fiorgen PF Tablets	Norwich Extra-Strength Tablets	Tri-Pain Tablets
BC Tablets and Powder	Fiorinal Tablets	Nuprin Tablets and Caplets	Trigesic
Brufen	Fluriprofen Tablets	Orphengesic	Trigesic Tablets
Buf-Tabs	Gelpirin Tablets	Orudis Capsules	Trilisate Tablets and Liquid
Buff-A Comp No. 3 Tablets with codeine	Gensan Tablets	Oruvail Capsules	Vanquish Caplets
Buff-A Comp Tablets and Capsules	Goody's Headache Powder	Pabalate	Verin
Buffaprin Tablets	Halfprin Tablets	Pabalate-SF Tablets	Voltaren Tablets
Bufferin, All products	Haltran Tablets	PAC Tablets	Zactin
Buffets II Tablets	Ibu-Tab Tablets	Pamprin-IB Tablets	Zorprin Tablets
Buffex Tablets	Ibuprin Tablets	Pepto-Bismol Tablets and Suspension	
Buffinol Tablets	Ibuprohm Tablets and Caplets	Percodan and Percodan Demi Tablets	
Cama Arthritis Pain Relieve	Indochron E-R Capsules	Phenaphen	
CataFlam Tablets	Indocin Capsules/Suspension/Suppositories		
Cephalgesis	Indocin-SR Capsules		
Cheracol	Indomethacin Capsules		
Children Aspirin	Indomethacin Suspension		
Children's Advil Suspension	Isolyl Improved Tablets & Capsules		

How is ERCP performed?

During ERCP, your doctor will pass an endoscope through your mouth, esophagus and stomach into the duodenum (first part of the small intestine). An endoscope is a thin, flexible tube that lets your doctor see inside your bowels. After your doctor sees the common opening to the ducts from the liver and pancreas, called the major duodenal papilla, your doctor will pass a narrow plastic tube called a catheter through the endoscope and into the ducts. Your doctor will inject a contrast material (dye) into the pancreatic or biliary ducts and will take X-rays.

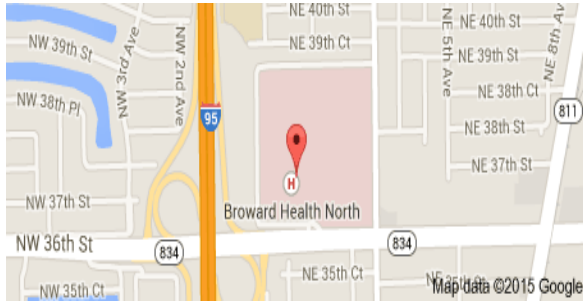


What can I expect after ERCP?

If you have ERCP as an outpatient, you will be observed for complications until most of the effects of the medications have worn off before being sent home. You might experience bloating or pass gas because of the air introduced during the examination. You can resume your usual diet unless you are instructed otherwise. Someone must accompany you home from the procedure because of the sedatives used during the examination. Even if you feel alert after the procedure, the sedatives can affect your judgment and reflexes for the rest of the day. Because individual circumstances may vary, this brochure may not answer all of your questions. Please ask your doctor about anything you don't understand.

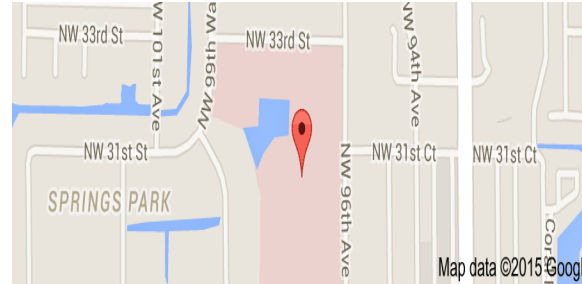
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