# PROCEDURE PREPARATION FOR: pH STUDY/BRAVO

\*This instruction sheet encompasses multiple different procedure types, a member of our office will confirm which of the below procedures you are scheduled for\*

**pH Study** measures the acidity of the esophagus. A thin, flexible tube is inserted into the esophagus through the nose or mouth. The probe measures pH levels in the esophagus over a 24-hour period

**BRAVO** is a wireless, catheter-free test that measures the acid levels in your esophagus to help diagnose gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD). A small recording capsule is temporarily attached to the esophagus during an upper endoscopy (EGD), and it transmits data to a small, external receiver you wear for 48 to 96 hours. The capsule naturally falls off and passes through your digestive system, eliminating the need for it to be retrieved.

<u>Special consideration</u>: It is not advised to have these tests if you have a cardiac pacemaker and/or defibrillator, TENS unit or other electro-medical device.

### 7 DAYS PRIOR TO YOUR PROCEDURE

- STOP taking the below medications:
  - Aciphex, Nexium, Prilosec, Prevacid, Protonix, Dexilant
- CONTINUE to take:
  - Regular prescription medications unless instructed to stop by our office or another provider

# 3 DAYS PRIOR TO YOUR PROCEDURE

- STOP taking the below medications:
  - Zantac, Tagamet, Pepcid, Axid

# 1 DAY PRIOR TO YOUR PROCEDURE

#### STOP:

- Do <u>NOT</u> consume alcohol, creamer, red or purple-colored liquids
- Medications: TUMS, Mylanta, Maalox

#### DIET:

- Up until 11:45PM you may consume a regular diet
- After 11:45PM, you may only consume clear liquids up until 4 hours prior to your procedure.
  - Examples include: water, chicken broth, apple or white grape juice, sport drinks, popsicles, Jell-O, coffee and tea (no cream), and soft drinks

## **DAY OF YOUR PROCEDURE**

#### **4 HOURS** before procedure:

• **DO NOT DRINK ANY LIQUIDS OR CONSUME ANYTHING BY MOUTH** due to risk of aspiration. Failure to comply will result in your procedure being delayed or cancelled!

#### PREPARING FOR ARRIVAL

- ✓ Leave your valuables (including watches, jewelry, and personal effects) at home.
- ✓ Please bring your photo ID, insurance card, and an updated list of medications.

## MEDICATION ADJUSTMENTS

#### ✓ For Diabetic Patients:

• Remember to check your blood sugars frequently the day before and day of your procedure.

#### √ For Patients on Blood Thinners:

• If you're taking blood thinners like Warfarin, Plavix, Eliquis, or Xarelto, make sure to follow the specific instructions our office has given you.

#### ✓ For Patients Taking GLP-1 Medications:

- Examples include Ozempic, Wegovy, Zepbound, Trulicity, Bydureon, Byetta, Saxenda, Victoza, Adlyxin, and Rybelsus.
  - If you take your GLP-1 medication daily: Do not take it on the day of your procedure.
  - If you take your GLP-1 medication weekly: Do not take it for 7 days before the procedure.

# **Need More Help?**

- If you have any questions about these instructions, please call our office during regular business hours 8:00AM-5:00PM Monday through Friday at 208-489-1887.
- If you need to call after 5:00PM, please use 208-489-1900.

# **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

- For answers to frequently asked questions, visit our website: www.digestivehealthclinic.com
- Please remember to report to the hospital for your procedure.