

Kootenai Clinic Endoscopy
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WHAT TO EXPECT DURING YOUR PROCEDURE

- After checking in for your procedure, you will be taken to the preparation area. You will sign your consent and change into a patient gown. An IV will be placed; this is used in the procedure room to give the medication for sedation.
- In the procedure room you will be placed on monitoring equipment and nasal oxygen. **Dentures and partials may be removed at this time. Please do not use a fixative the day of your appointment.**
- Your doctor will talk with you before the procedure begins and will answer any questions or concerns that you may have.
- You will be given IV medication to make you sleepy and comfortable.
- Once the medication has made you comfortable, the procedure will begin. You will receive more medication as needed.
- If necessary, biopsies (tissue samples) may be taken from the colon or stomach lining. Polyps in the colon will be removed. You will not feel pain from this. The tissue will be sent to the laboratory for testing.
- After the procedure, the nurse will take you to the recovery area. If you had a colonoscopy, you will need to pass the air that was put in during the procedure. You will continue to pass more air during the day. The doctor will talk with you about the findings during the procedure and you will be discharged shortly thereafter. You can not drive for the rest of the day. You ***must*** have a designated driver.
- Before leaving, you will receive written instructions about:
 - Obtaining biopsy results
 - Follow-up appointments or tests that have been ordered
 - Side effects to watch for
 - Emergency number to call: 625-4601 or 625-4595 (Dr's Office number)
- The Endoscopy Center staff will call you on the day following your procedure to answer any questions that you may have and to check the status of your recovery.
- We welcome your comments about the procedure and your time with us.
- **PLEASE BRING YOUR INSURANCE CARD AND PHOTO ID**

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