



PillCam Video Capsule Instructions

Date: ***	Time: ***
Location: 180 Sawgrass Dr. Ste 230, Rochester, NY 14620	

Please follow the prep instructions carefully; this is vital to an adequate colon clean out to assure the capsule will capture adequate images for a complete study.

You will need to purchase the following: Two 32oz bottles of Gatorade, One 238g (8.3oz) bottle of Miralax and a small package of Dulcolax tablets.

Day Before Capsule Endoscopy

1. Start the prescribed liquid diet after breakfast.
2. You may have a regular breakfast, then **CLEAR LIQUIDS ONLY** from 10 am- 6:00 pm.
3. Mix 1/2 Miralax into 1 bottle of Gatorade and the other 1/2 into second bottle of Gatorade- can refrigerate.
4. At 4 pm take 4 Dulcolax tablets.
5. At 6 PM begin drinking the Gatorade/Miralax mix, drink 1 cup every 15-20 minutes until gone.
6. You may **not** have anything to eat or drink except Gatorade/Miralax prep after 6 PM.

Day of Capsule Endoscopy

1. Take prescribed medications at least 2 hours before arriving for the administration of the capsule.
2. **If you are diabetic**, you may take half the dose of insulin and hold oral medications the morning of the procedure. You will resume all medications at your normal dose after the removal of the data recorder (when you resume a regular diet).
3. **Do NOT take iron products for one week prior** to the Capsule Endoscopy.
4. Please **do not eat carrots and tomatoes** for 3 days prior to Capsule Endoscopy.
5. Please wear **upper garment of thin natural fiber such as a T-shirt** that is long enough to reach at least to hip level and will not ride up above the belt.
6. When you arrive at the office for your Capsule Endoscopy, the nurse will discuss the video capsule procedure with you and answer any questions; signed consent will then be obtained.
7. The sensor belt will be placed around your waist over your T-shirt.
8. You will then swallow the Video Capsule with water containing Simethicone (Gas-X).



After Swallowing the PillCam SB Capsule

1. You may drink colorless liquids starting 2 hours after swallowing the PillCam SB capsule.
2. You may have a light snack 4 hours after ingestion. After the examination is completed and equipment has been removed, you may return to your normal diet.
3. Be sure the sensor belt is tight at the waist. Do not attach anything to it.
4. Check the blue flashing PillCam recorder every 15 minutes to be sure it is blinking. If it stops blinking or changes color, note the time and contact your doctor.
5. Avoid strong electromagnetic fields such as MRI devices or ham radios after swallowing the capsule and until you pass it in a bowel movement.
6. Do not disconnect the equipment or completely remove the PillCam recorder at any time during the procedure.
7. Treat the PillCam recorder carefully. Avoid sudden movements and banging of the recorder.

After Completing SB Capsule Endoscopy

Wear your equipment for 12 hours.

When it's time to remove the equipment at the end of the capsule endoscopy procedure, do the following:

1. Remove the sensor belt and the PillCam recorder and keep in a safe place.
2. Return all the equipment to your doctor's office as soon as possible. Handle the PillCam recorder and other equipment carefully without exposing them to shock, vibration, cold or direct sunlight.

If you are not sure that the capsule has passed out of your body and you develop unexplained nausea, abdominal pain or vomiting, contact your doctor for evaluation and possible Abdominal X-ray will be ordered.

Undergoing an MRI while the PillCam capsule is inside your body may result in damage to your intestinal tract or abdominal cavity. If you are not certain the capsule is out of your body, contact your physician for evaluation and possible abdominal X-ray before undergoing an MRI examination.

Contact your doctor's office immediately if you suffer from any abdominal pain, nausea or vomiting during the procedure.

*You may expect your capsule will be read and finalized within 7-10 days. If you do not hear from our office in 2 weeks, please call 275-4711.