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ENDOSCOPIC RETROGRADE CHOLANGIOPANCREATOGRAPHY ERCP

Preparation Instructions

Name: _____
Date/Time of Procedure: _____
Arrival Time: _____
Anticipated Departure Time: _____

Location of Procedure: **SEQUOIA HOSPITAL RADIOLOGY**
170 Alameda De Las Pulgas
Redwood City, CA

Purpose of the Procedure:

Under special x-ray (fluoroscopy) the pancreas and the biliary ducts (gallbladder) are examined. This diagnostic test helps to diagnose and often treat the condition causing jaundice, blockage of the bile duct, pancreatitis and other other conditions involving this anatomy. A brochure is attached for more detailed information.

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STOP DRINKING ALL LIQUIDS:

For an **AM** procedure: Do not eat or drink anything after midnight the night before.
For an **afternoon** procedure: You may have a clear liquid breakfast before 8AM. You may take your morning medications with a small sip of water, unless otherwise instructed. If you are a diabetic, please discuss your medications with one of us.

The day of your procedure: Please arrive at the **Admitting Department** at Sequoia Hospital at the above time (two hours before procedure). After completing your paperwork, they will direct you to the Short Stay Unit where you will be prepared for the procedure. You will be transported by gurney to the Radiology Department for the exam. Be prepared to be at the hospital for about 6 hours. You will need to have someone drive you home. Public transportation and taxis are not acceptable. In some cases, an overnight stay in the hospital might be necessary.