GASTROSCOPY & COLONOSCOPY BOOKING

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<u>DATE:</u>

ADMISSION TIME: You must phone The Bays Hospital after 2pm on the working day

prior to your procedure – to receive your morning admission time.

PRIOR TO ADMISSION

Please complete the hospital admission forms and return them to The Bays Hospital one week prior to your admission.

DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY TO YOU? IF SO, YOU MUST NOTIFY US.

Pacemaker Gastric Lap Band

Diabetes Blood thinning medication

Body Weight over 110 kg

PREPARATION

- You will need to purchase the colonoscopy preparation kit from the chemist and follow our page of instructions, not those supplied with the kit.
- IF YOU ARE HAVING INPATIENT PREP, DO NOT PURCHASE KIT. EAT NORMALLY UNTIL YOUR 4 PM ADMISSION.
- Nothing to eat or drink for at least 6 hours before the procedure. Take all your usual medication with a small sip of water. Please ask us if you have any concerns about this.
- DO NOT TAKE IRON TABLETS FOR AT LEAST 7 DAYS BEFORE PROCEDURE.
- If you are taking **blood thinning medication**, please ask us **when you should stop** it prior to the procedure.
- No make-up, nail polish or jewellery to be worn.
- DO NOT remove dentures or hearing aids.
- Wear comfortable clothing and flat shoes. You will be given a gown to wear for the procedure.

WHAT TO TAKE WITH YOU

Please refer to The Bays Hospital information.

GOING HOME

- You will be sedated for this procedure and therefore MUST have a relative or friend to accompany you home and stay with you overnight.
- YOUR PROCEDURE WILL BE CANCELLED UNLESS YOU HAVE SOMEONE TO DRIVE YOU HOME AND STAY WITH YOU.
- You will be ready to be taken home by your nominated person approximately 3-4 hours after your admission time (unless you are staying overnight after the procedure).

ACCOUNTS - please read carefully

You are responsible for the payment of your accounts, unless we bill your private health fund directly.

Your accounts will include

- 1. The doctor's account for the procedure Item No.:
- 2. Account from the anaesthetist for the sedation
- 3. Theatre fee for The Bays Hospital
- 4. Pathology account if a biopsy is taken. There may be an out of pocket cost for pathology

Medicare will refund a portion of the accounts except for the theatre fee. The theatre fee will be funded partially or completely if you have private health insurance. Private health insurance will also cover part of the doctors' fees and pathology.

If your policy does not cover for GAPCOVER you will have an out of pocket to pay for Dr. Herrmann or Dr. La Nauze.

You may be required to pay an out of pocket gap for our doct	or. This will be
If you are uninsured, the theatre fee will be	This is the only account that
must be paid on the day of the procedure.	

If you are uncertain about your level of private cover, please check with your health fund or The Bays Hospital to see if you are fully covered. Any excess must be paid on the day.

Anaesthetist - See yellow form to obtain a quote / your account will be sent to the health fund.

PLEASE CONTACT US ON 5975 5066 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.