

Patient,

In an effort to make sure you receive the highest level of coverage, please follow these instructions prior to your scheduled procedure.

After following these instructions, if you have additional questions, please contact our Billing Department at 440-461-2793.

- When scheduling a colonoscopy as a **routine screening procedure**, contact your insurance to inquire if you have routine screening coverage. **If you do not have routine screening coverage, notify our office prior to your procedure.** Some insurance companies require the codes we will be billing for this procedure:

CPT CODE: *45378- Colonoscopy, G0121 Screening Colonoscopy*
ICD-9: *V76.51- Screening for colon cancer*
(This is not required for Medicare)

- If you had a colonoscopy in the past for a medical concern, such as, personal history of colonic polyps (*V12.72*) personal history of colonic cancer (*V10.05*), family history of colon cancer (*V16.0*) or family history of polyps (*V18.51*), your current procedure **may not be considered a routine screening/preventive procedure.** The diagnosis codes are listed in italics. Contact your insurance to verify your coverage. This is not required for Medicare.
- **If you are scheduled for a routine procedure and during the course of the procedure the physician finds a polyp or takes a biopsy, it is no longer considered a routine screening procedure. Please understand when a specimen is taken, your insurance company will be billed with the appropriate CPT code.** The procedure codes most commonly billed for these procedures are CPT CODE: *45380, 45384 or 45385.*
- Call your insurance to verify that our facility is in network with your plan. Our facility name is "Consultants in Gastroenterology, Inc". Please inquire about your deductible, coinsurance or co-pays for the physician's charges and the facility charges. This is not required for Medicare.
- **You are required to bring your facility co-pay at the time of the procedure.** This is not required for Medicare.
- **If our facility is not in network and you have a procedure scheduled in our facility, notify our office at (440) 461-2550 prior to your scheduled appointment.**
- If a specimen is taken you will receive a separate statement for these services.

All insurance policies are not the same. They vary by employer group. **We are not responsible or able to know every policy available. You must contact your insurance company to question your contract and coverage.** Our office obtains precertification if it is required, but this is not a guarantee of payment.

Consultants in Gastroenterology, Inc. is a physician owned and operated facility.

Patient Signature _____

Print Name _____

Date _____