

ANESTHESIA SCREENING GUIDELINES FOR GI LAB PROCEDURES

For the MD

If any of the screening questions are answered “yes” – then the patient should be scheduled with the Pre-Anesthesia Testing (PAT) clinic for further evaluation prior to receiving anesthesia for their GI procedure. Contact the GI Scheduler to assist in making that appointment, at 244-7687.

1. Is the patient's weigh >300 lbs (or BMI >40) Yes (to PAT) No
2. Has the patient anyone in the patient's family ever had a serious reaction to a local or general anesthetic, a history of high fever after anesthesia, a history of a “bad airway”, or difficulty putting in breathing tube? Yes (to PAT) No
3. Is the patient taking blood thinning medication (e.g. Plavix, Coumadin, Lovenox)? Yes (to PAT) No
4. Does the patient have a heart condition (pacemaker, valve replacement)? Yes (to PAT) No
5. Does the patient have lung disease (i.e., emphysema)? Yes (to PAT) No
6. Does the patient ever have any pain in the heart? Yes (to PAT) No
7. Has the patient ever had liver disease or yellow jaundice? Yes (to PAT) No
8. Has the patient ever had a stroke, mini stroke, seizure, or blackouts? Yes (to PAT) No
9. Does the patient have severe weakness in any extremity? Yes (to PAT) No

Please inform patient to remain NPO from midnight on the date of the procedure (no food or drink). Patient is allowed to take regular medications with a sip of water unless advised otherwise by their primary physician.

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