Important Safety Information About Your Endoscopic Procedure At MGH Danvers Day Surgery Unit

The safety of our patients, visitors and staff is a top priority and we have added several measures to minimize the risk of COVID-19.

COVID-19 Testing

For the health and safety of our patients and hospital staff, all patients undergoing an endoscopy procedure must get a *Nasopharyngeal PCR* test for COVID-19 within <u>48-72 hours</u> before the procedure. We will contact you to schedule the test at the nearest Mass General Brigham (MGB) facility. **Note*: Testing is required even if you have been vaccinated for COVID-19.

Respiratory Symptoms

Please call your proceduralist (MD) if you develop any of the following symptoms within 72 hours of your procedure:

- Fever or feeling feverish
- New cough (not related to a chronic condition)
- Sore throat
- New runny nose / nasal congestion (not related to allergies)
- Shortness of breath
- Muscle aches
- New loss of smell or taste

When You Arrive

- Please have your ride drop you off at the Main door (102 Endicott Street). Proceed through the
 pre-screening check-in where you will be given a face mask before coming up to the second
 floor of the Day Surgery Unit.
- Please bring your license, and eyeglasses if needed. Leave valuables and all JEWELRY including wedding rings at home.

Additional Information

VISITOR / ESCORT – In order to comply Massachusetts state regulations we must limit the number of people in
the waiting room to ensure social distancing, so NO visitors are allowed at this time.
All patients and staff are required to wear a surgical mask while in the building. You will be given a mask when
you enter the building.
When you are ready for discharge, your escort will be contacted and you will be brought to the entrance of
the building by one of our staff.
COVID TEST RESULTS – Your proceduralist will contact you only in the event your COVID test is abnormal. You
can obtain the results of your COVID test by visiting your patient gateway account. If you have any questions
about your result, please call your endoscopy doctor.

