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Covid-19 Testing FAQs and Instructions

Who: ALL PATIENTS HAVING AN ENDOSCOPY OR COLONOSCOPY.
Even if you had Covid-19 before, had the vaccine, or had another test.

When: Sample must be given within 5 days; the lab needs time to process it!
For Monday procedure: give sample on Wednesday the week before
For Tuesday procedure: give sample on Thursday the week before
For Wednesday procedure: give sample on Friday the week before
For Thursday procedure: give sample on Monday of the same week
For Friday procedure: give sample on Monday of the same week

What: The test must be a “PCR” test - NOT a rapid antigen test.
This is done by a sample of saliva or a swab in the mouth or nose.
There is no blood test for this.

Where: At our offices:
3333 Henry Hudson Parkway, Suite #1, Mon-Fri 9am-3pm
3327 Bainbridge Ave, Mon-Fri 9am-3pm
If you have a test kit already and need to drop it off in a dropbox:
3333 Henry Hudson Parkway, outside Suite #1
3327 Bainbridge Ave, outside the front door on the porch
5500 Broadway (@230th st), 2nd floor (Advanced Endoscopy)

How:

1. Spit into tube until saliva goes from white label to black wavy line
2. Throw out funnel and SCREW ON TOP TIGHTLY
3. Shake gently; BLUE LIQUID MUST MIX WITH YOUR SALIVA
4. Place tube in specimen bag and close the bag
5. Make sure your printed order form is in the pocket of the bag

Why: This is the law in New York State for all patients having procedures