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GASTROSCOPY

DATE OF PROCEDURE	
ARRIVAL TIME AT THE RECEPTION DESK	

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ABOUT THE PROCEDURE:

Gastroscopy is a technique in which the lining (mucous membrane) of the esophagus, the stomach, and the duodenum can be closely examined.

The procedure can be covered by NFZ insurance or fully paid for by the patient.

If the examination is funded by NFZ, a referral from a specialist or family doctor is mandatory.

Patients registered on the basis of a referral are asked to arrive at the Endoscopic Laboratory (Elevator 2, 2nd floor) at the scheduled date and time.

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Please note that the collection of a tissue specimen for histopathological examination and/or *Helicobacter Pylori* test will be billed separately according to the current pricelist, unless the gastroscopy is covered by NFZ insurance. Patients who register for an examination which they will pay for are asked to go to the Reception Desk of the Specialist Outpatient Care Department (Elevator 3, 1st floor) to make the payment and provide the necessary patient data.

HOW TO PREPARE FOR YOUR APPOINTMENT:

No special preparation is necessary for the examination. Do not eat or drink anything within 8 hours of the scheduled examination.

MEDICATIONS:

Patients on blood-thinning medications must consult the attending physician a week prior to the scheduled procedure in order to discontinue or modify the treatment (a valid INR test report must be brought to the examination; the test results are valid for 7 days). Other regular medications should be taken as usual with a small amount of water.

RESULTS:

The gastroscopy report will be available immediately after the procedure; the histopathology report, if applicable, will be ready within 14 working days.

Call 516 171 166 to find out whether your histopathology report is ready to be collected.

NOTE!

The histopathology report can be collected in person or with written authorization at the Main Reception Desk (at the main entrance to the hospital), from Monday to Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. (until 6:00 p.m. on Thursdays).

To learn how to prepare for the examination, go to www.bonifratrzy.krakow.pl

To cancel or reschedule a procedure, please contact us: call 12 37 97 390 for examinations paid for by the patient call 12 37 97 377 for examinations covered by NFZ insurance

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