

**Informed Consent to Diagnostic or Therapeutic Procedures,  
and Rendering of Other Medical Services**

I authorize my physician, checked off below, and his assistants, as may be selected by him / her to perform the following procedure and/or diagnostic procedure:

<b>Colonoscopy with Polypectomy, Biopsy, and / or Dilation if Indicated</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Cappa	<input type="checkbox"/> Ianello	<input type="checkbox"/> Nestler
	<input type="checkbox"/> Cipolla	<input type="checkbox"/> Israel	<input type="checkbox"/> Sachdev
	<input type="checkbox"/> Chaletsky	<input type="checkbox"/> Jo	<input type="checkbox"/> Selden
	<input type="checkbox"/> Einstein	<input type="checkbox"/> Johnson	<input type="checkbox"/> Shapiro
	<input type="checkbox"/> Feldman	<input type="checkbox"/> Karasik	<input type="checkbox"/> Slater
	<input type="checkbox"/> Gelwan	<input type="checkbox"/> Kopec	<input type="checkbox"/> Smedley
	<input type="checkbox"/> Golioto	<input type="checkbox"/> Loewenthal	<input type="checkbox"/> Weiser
	<input type="checkbox"/> Williamson	<input type="checkbox"/> Swales	<input type="checkbox"/> Breiter

**Colonoscopy-** Examination of the large intestine with a flexible tube passed through the anus. The entire large intestine is usually examined. The lower small intestine may be examined.

**Biopsy-** The removal of small pieces of tissue for analysis

**Polypectomy-** Removal of small growths from the intestines with special instruments

**Dilation-** Enlarging of a narrow area

**Alternatives:** X-Ray tests (“lower GI series” or “barium enema”) or surgery are sometimes recommended as alternatives. X-Rays are less likely to cause a complication but are less accurate for diagnosing important conditions, and do not allow treatment such as removal of growths (polyps) or biopsy. Surgery is more likely to cause a complication, and is often not necessary. No test at all is an option, but no testing carries risks of failure to diagnose or prevent serious disease. It is possible to perform this test without anesthesia.

**Risks:** Colonoscopy involves some risks. Complications may occur even when a procedure is properly performed. Major complications include perforation and bleeding. Treatment of these conditions may require surgery or colostomy. This is a highly accurate procedure, but with any test there is a small chance of missing something. All these complications are possible but occur with low frequency. Your physicians will discuss this frequency with you, if you wish, with particular reference to your own indications for endoscopy and your present state of health.

**Consent to Resuscitation:**

I understand that even though the Physicians and Staff of this center respect my right to participate in decisions regarding my health care, the policy of this center is that all patients undergoing procedures will be considered eligible for life sustaining emergency treatments. The signed consent implies permission for resuscitation and transfer to a higher level of care.

**Tissue Disposal:**

I authorize the pathologist to use his/her discretion in the disposal of any tissue or growths removed during the procedure described above.

**Consent for Transfer:**

I understand that the procedure(s) performed on me at this Center, will be performed on an outpatient basis and that the facility does not provide 24 hour patient care. If my attending physician, or a qualified physician in his absence, finds it necessary or advisable to transfer me from this facility to a hospital, I consent to the transfer.

**Consent for Photography:**

I consent to photography of the procedure for medical, scientific, or educational purposes, provided my identity is not revealed by the pictures or descriptive text accompanying them.

**Discharge Instructions:**

The discharge instructions have been reviewed with me and I understand them. I will receive a copy to take home with me when I am discharged.

**Consent for Administration of Anesthesia:**

The protocol of this center involves using short-acting sedative medications which provide ideal conditions for successful completion of the procedure and a more rapid recovery.

Risks, Benefits, and Alternatives of anesthesia will be reviewed by the anesthesiologist.