

Frequently Asked Questions

1. How long will the procedure take?

- a. At East Bay Endosurgery: Please plan to be at the center for a total of 2 hours.
- b. At Summit or Alta Bates Medical Center: Please plan to be at the hospital for 4 hours. If you are scheduled at Summit Hospital, please make sure to check in at registration first.

2. Can I take my regular medication the morning of the test?

You may take all of your regular medications with a small sip of water 2 hours before, except for those mentioned on your prep instructions – Those come with further instructions.

3. I use Paratransit for all of my medical appointments. Is this okay?

Yes, but your procedure must be scheduled before 11 am to ensure you get a ride home within business hours.

4. Can I return to work after my procedure?

IF YOU ARE SEDATED, you cannot return to work until the next day, as the sedative can take up to 6 hours to wear off. If you are NOT SEDATED, you may return to work at your convenience.

5. When can I drive?

IF YOU ARE SEDATED, you may not drive the day of the procedure as you will be under the influence of a sedative that will compromise your ability to drive. If you are NOT SEDATED, you may drive right away.

6. When may I begin taking blood thinner again after my procedure?

This information will be provided to you on your discharge forms after the procedure. The timing will vary depending on whether you have had biopsies or polyps removed.

7. How can I find out the cost of my procedure?

If you are inquiring about the facility fee:

- a. For East Bay Endosurgery Center contact our Central Billing Office at 1-866-809-1220
- b. For Summit or Alta Bates Medical Center contact the financial department at (510) 655-4000
- c. Provider Fee- You will receive a call approximately one week prior to your procedure with the estimate cost. If you do not receive a call at least 3 days before, please contact (510) 444-3297 ext. 220.