

PATENCY CAPSULE INSTRUCTIONS

You have been asked to swallow a patency capsule before your capsule endoscopy / pill cam. The reason for this is to make sure the real capsule is not retained in your small bowel when you have your capsule endoscopy / pill cam. If retention of the patency capsule does occur, you may experience abdominal pain and nausea. The patency capsule will dissolve after a certain time. However, this will also mean that your capsule endoscopy / pill cam cannot be performed, and an alternative test will need to be arranged.

Day of study:

1. Swallow patency capsule with some water at 8am
2. Have light breakfast
3. Light lunch at 2pm
4. Clear liquids until 12am the following day

Day after:

1. Abdominal x-ray to be completed / taken at least 30 hours after patency capsule has been swallow
 - a. X-ray at 2pm to see if patency capsule has passed
2. If the patency capsule has passed, then you can proceed to schedule your capsule endoscopy

Your capsule study confirmation

Date: ***

Arrival time: no later than 8am

168 Kinsley Street 1st floor suite 10

Who will you be seeing: Nurse

Call with any questions: 603-578-9363