

# Patient Education

Digestive Disease Center



## ERCP

*Instructions for after your endoscopic retrograde cholangio-pancreatography*

Call us right away if you have any of these problems in the next 7 days:

- Unusual abdominal pain or chest pain.
- A fever above 100°F.
- Persistent vomiting.
- Vomiting red blood.
- Black stool.
- Difficulty swallowing.

Your doctor was: \_\_\_\_\_

You can now start your usual diet and medications again.

You might have a mild sore throat for a few days.

*For your safety and the safety of others:*

- Do not drive today. It is against the law.
- Do not drink alcohol today.

### Results

- Repeat ERCP recommended in \_\_\_\_\_ months.
- You have had a sphincterotomy (an incision into the bile or pancreatic duct sphincter). During the next 7 days, do not take aspirin, pain medications, or arthritis medicines that thin your blood (such as Advil, ibuprofen, Motrin, Aleve, and Naprosyn). You may take Tylenol or acetaminophen.

*Special instructions:*

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### Questions?

Call us at 206-598-4377 weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. At all other times, please contact the paging operator at 206-598-6190 and ask to speak to the gastroenterologist on call.