



## **Roper St. Francis Healthcare Endoscopy – Tests and Procedures**

*This is **General Introduction** applicable to all tests/procedures*

Patients scheduled to have a test or procedure at Roper St. Francis Healthcare Endoscopy department typically receive a phone call from the hospital to confirm the information needed for registration purposes including insurance information. This helps to shorten the time required to get checked-in when you arrive on the day of your procedure.

A nurse from the endoscopy department may also try to contact you. If she is able to connect with you, she will make sure that you know what to expect and answer any questions that you have. She may also ask you about your health history including any allergies that you have and the medications that you are currently on. This will help to shorten the time needed to get you ready on the day of your procedure.

When you come to the hospital, please bring a list of your allergies, current medications and any major illnesses or hospitalizations that you have had. For your safety, we want to be sure that your health history is updated on the day of your test.

On the day of your procedure, after getting checked in at outpatient services registration, you will be escorted to the endoscopy area. A nurse will meet you and get you settled in a room. The nurse will explain everything that will happen and ask you about any questions or concerns that you have. If you will receive sedation for the procedure, the nurse will start an IV and confirm information on your health history. You will be asked to sign a form that gives your doctor your consent to proceed with the procedure.

The doctor will talk to you after the procedure is over. The medicine you receive may make it difficult for you to remember what the doctor or nurses tell you after your procedure. It is helpful to have someone with you who can also hear the instructions and stay with you on the day of the procedure. Be sure to have someone with you who can drive you home.