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UPPER GI ENDOSCOPY (EGD)

Upper GI endoscopy -or esophagogastroduodenoscopy (EGD) is a visual examination of the lining of your food pipe, stomach and the first part of your small intestines. This is done by passing a small, long flexible tube through your mouth. Tissue samples, pictures and videos for further analysis may be taken at this time. Some treatments such as injection, ligation and/or dilation (stretching) of any narrowing, and removal of small tumors or swallowed objects, and other treatments of bleeding blood vessels and ulcers with the application of heat or laser may be done at this time.

Risks:

Endoscopy can result in complications such as reaction to medication, sore throat, difficulty breathing, tear of the food pipe, stomach, or small intestines requiring surgical intervention and hospitalization, bleeding, sepsis and even death can occur.

Alternative Measures:

The choices of Barium Series or no treatment at this time have been explained to me.

SEDATION / ANALGESIA

Medication will be injected through the intravenous line that will make you drowsy but you will be able to follow commands. You understand that you can refuse to take the medications for sedation / analgesia.

Risk:

In rare cases, complications such as reaction to medication, nausea, vomiting, difficulty to breathe, paralysis, cardiac arrest and even death may occur.

Alternative:

- I can have the procedure without medication.
- I understand the explanation of the procedure and of the sedation / analgesia, risks, benefits and alternative measures and give my consent.

SIGNATURE	PRINT NAME	DATE
_____ Physician MD	_____ Physician MD	
_____ Patient	_____ Person authorized to consent	
_____ Witness	_____ Relationship to patient	

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