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Because you will be sedated, you will not be able to drive after your colonoscopy. You must arrange for a responsible adult (over 18) who can drive or otherwise accompany you to and from the hospital and endoscopy unit.

### **RISKS OF COLONOSCOPY**

While colonoscopy is an outpatient procedure, it is an endoscopic procedure performed in a hospital and certain risks are inherent to the procedure. You will be able to discuss the risks below with the physician on the day of your colonoscopy. A detailed informed consent form will be discussed with you on this day and you will be required to sign this form to undergo colonoscopy.

Risks of Colonoscopy: (Most common risks are listed; other rare risks/complications may not be listed below)

1. Abdominal pain.
2. Bleeding.
3. Infection.
4. Adverse reaction to sedation such as: allergic reaction (systemic or local), respiratory depression, low heart rate or low blood pressure.
5. Perforation (tearing of the colon) necessitating surgery to repair.
6. Inpatient hospital admission due to any of the above reasons.

By signing this page, I acknowledge that the above data on both pages of the Procedure Scheduling form is correct and complete and I have read the risks of this procedure.

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Signature

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Date

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