

### **PATIENT INSTRUCTIONS**

#### APPOINTMENT DATE: \_

#### ARRIVAL TIME: \_

 Brigham and Women's <u>Hospital</u> Endoscopy Center 75 Francis Street Amory Building, 2nd Floor Boston, MA 02115 □ Brigham and Women's <u>Outpatient</u> Endoscopy Center 850 Boylston Street (Route 9) 2nd Floor, Suite 202 Chestnut Hill, MA 02467 PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS IN CHESTNUT HILL, NOT BOSTON

#### If you need to reschedule your appointment, please call the Endoscopy Center at 617-732-7426. If you have any questions regarding the procedure and preparation, please call our Endoscopy Triage Nurse at 617-525-6814.

# YOU ARE SCHEDULED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE:

• BREATH TEST FOR HELICOBACTER PYLORI (H. pylori)

# PLEASE READ NOW AND FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS ENTIRELY:

### Two Weeks Before the Test:

- No antibiotics for two weeks. If you have taken antibiotics within 14 days of your appointment, please call to reschedule your test.
- Do not take Proton Pump Inhibitors (or their generic versions) such as Aciphex<sup>®</sup> (Rabeprazole), Nexium<sup>®</sup> (Esomeprazole), Prevacid<sup>®</sup> (Lansoprazole), Prilosec<sup>®</sup> (Omeprazole), Prilosec OTC<sup>®</sup> (Omeprazole), Protonix<sup>®</sup> (Pantoprazole), or Zegerid<sup>®</sup> (Omeprazole/Sodium Bicarbonate) for 2 weeks prior to the test.
- Do not take bismuth preparations such as Pepto Bismol<sup>®</sup> for 2 weeks prior to the test.
- IF THIS IS A RECHECK AFTER TREATMENT, it must be at least 8 weeks since your treatment was completed.

### **One Hour Before the Test:**

• Do not eat or drink for 1 hour before the test.