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GASTROSCOPY

Gastroscopy is an endoscopic investigation where the oesophagus, stomach and duodenum are examined with a flexible fiberoptic instrument which is passed via the mouth. Intravenous sedation is required, and this will be administered by an anaesthetist.

The examination is not painful, but there may be some soreness of the throat following it. It is possible that biopsies (small specimens from the lining of the stomach) may be taken to help in making a diagnosis.

Particular Instructions:

1. Do not eat or drink anything for 6 hours before the examination.
2. Take all of your usual tablets (with a sip of water).
3. Because of the sedation given, it is very important that you do not drive a car, travel on public transport alone, operate machinery or sign legal documents on the same day as the test.
4. Arrange to be picked up about 1-2 hours after the investigation.