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Clear Liquid Diet

Purpose

A diet of clear liquids maintains vital body fluids, salt, and minerals; this also gives some energy for patients when normal food intake must be interrupted. Clear liquids are easily absorbed by the body. They reduce stimulations of the digestive system and leave no residue in the intestinal tract. Remember that the value of this examination depends on a thoroughly clean digestive tract.

Examples of clear liquids

Water **Sports Drinks** Flavored carbonated water Gatorade Perrier Sport Aid Powerade Ice Propel Water Popsicles—no red or purple Fruit ice Pedialyte

Coffee without cream or milk

Fruit juices without pulp Jello

Apple juice peach, orange, lemon-lime Grape juice yellow, apple

Any flavor(except red or purple)

White grape juice

Cranberry juice Pulp free orange juice

Capri sun fruit drink

Kool-aid— no red or purple

Tea

Soft Drinks Soup broth Coke Dr. Pepper turkey broth Pepsi 7- Up Beef bouillon
Diet drinks Sprite Chicken bouillon
Fat free consommé

We recommend that you **drink at least one 12oz bottle of one of the sports drinks** to help replace any electrolytes you may loose with the prep.