

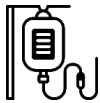
Patient Education

At **Central Texas Endoscopy Center**, our team of professionals is focused on your safety and comfort. Central to this effort is our group of highly trained and experienced Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs).



A CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST (CRNA) will:

- Carefully evaluate your health history, Meet with you before the procedure to answer questions and discuss the plan for your sedation
- Administer a personalized sedation plan tailored to your procedure and medical status
- Monitor you during the procedure & supervise your recovery from anesthesia following the procedure



ANESTHESIA:

PROPOFOL slows the activity of your brain and nervous system. It is used to put you to sleep and keep you asleep during anesthesia for surgery or other medical procedures.

- Propofol is injected into a vein through an IV by the CRNA. You will relax and fall asleep very quickly after Propofol is injected.
- Your breathing, blood pressure, oxygen levels and other vital signs will be watched closely while you are under the effects of Propofol.
- Before you receive Propofol, tell your healthcare providers about all your medical conditions and allergies.

Please note other medications could be used for sedation for your procedure.



POTENTIAL SIDE EFFECTS may include:

- Mild itching or rash
- Fast or slow heart rate
- High or low blood pressure
- Apnea (slow breathing)
- Slight burning, stinging or pain around the IV insertion area

Tell your caregiver right away, if you have:

- A light-headed feeling (like you might pass out) even after feeling awake
- Weak or shallow breathing
- Pain or discomfort where the injection is given

Get emergency medical help if you have any signs of an allergic reaction, such as hives; difficulty breathing; swelling of your face, lips, tongue or throat.



IMPORTANT ANESTHESIA REMINDERS

- Anesthesia medication causes severe drowsiness and dizziness, which may last for several hours
- Taking other medicines that make you sleepy or slow your breathing can worsen these effects
- **YOU MUST have someone to drive you home after your procedure**
- **DO NOT drive or operate machinery until the following day**
- **DO NOT make any important decisions or sign any legal documents until the following day**
- **DO NOT drink alcohol until the following day**

**If you have any questions or concerns, call your GI Physician at 979-776-4600
or contact Central Texas Endoscopy Center at 979-774-4211.**