



# POLYP REMOVAL

## Patient information Leaflet

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### **What is a Polyp?**

A polyp is best described as a growth that projects from the bowel wall. Polyps are sometimes on stalks and sometimes flat.

### **How are polyps removed?**

If they are on stalks, then a wire is placed around the stalk and an electrical current is sent down the wire to burn away a polyp.

If the polyp is flat then the endoscopist will inject a solution into the wall of the bowel to lift up the polyp. Then it will be removed using a diathermy wire.

Sometimes small flat polyps can be removed using a small snare without using electrical current.

Occasionally a polyp is removed using special biopsy forceps that we pass current through. This is called a Hot Biopsy.

Most polyps removed are sent to the laboratory to check out under a microscope.

### **Following your procedure**

If you experience severe pain in the abdomen which does not settle, fresh blood/bleeding from the back passage, fever, chills or black stools, you should report this to a doctor at once or telephone the unit.

Patient Name:

Follow up arrangements:

Procedure Undertaken

- EMR
- Polypectomy
- Cold Snare
- Hot Biopsy
- Placement of Loop or Clip during Polypectomy. (Although the clips usually drop off, please note that if you ever need to have a MRI scan you must tell the doctors that you have had clips placed during endoscopy)

Nurse Signature:

Date:

Contact us  
Endoscopy Unit

If you wish to speak to a nurse following your discharge home, we can be contacted from 8am – 6pm on 0161 922 6211

If you have any questions you want to ask, you can use this space below to remind you

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