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## **IRHC (Infrared Hemorrhoid Coagulation)**

**Questions:** Please contact our office (803) 788-1100

**Special Instruction:**

**Stop the following medications on:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. Stop all aspirin and aspirin containing products (Ibuprofen) 5 days before test. You can take extra strength Tylenol.
2. Stop all arthritis medication 5 days before test (Celebrex, Mobic, Ultram, Voltaren, Plaquenil)
3. Stop all Blood Thinners 5 days before test. (Coumadin, Warfarin, Plavix, Pradaxa, Xarelto, Effient )

If possible, try to have a bowel movement at least 1 hour prior to this appointment.

**\*\*\* THE FOLLOWING IS GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE IRHC PROCEDURE\*\*\***

### **Infrared Coagulation: Our Procedure**

**Infrared Coagulation (IRC)** is a non-invasive, non-surgical hemorrhoids treatment. Many medical studies found IRC to be the non-surgical hemorrhoids treatment of choice because it is fast, well tolerated by patients, and virtually problem free. A small probe contacts the area above the hemorrhoids, exposing the tissue to a quick pulse of infrared light. This coagulation the vein above the hemorrhoids causing the hemorrhoids to shrink and recede. The patient may feel a slight sensation of heat but our Infrared Coagulation hemorrhoid treatment is generally not painful. Therefore, anesthesia is not required. Schedule a hemorrhoid treatment consultation to see if you are a candidate for IRC. Our experienced and caring doctor is ready to help you.

Treatment with IRC is painless, safe, and effective. Before treatment, your physician will conduct a routine external and internal examination to chart your hemorrhoids disease and ensure that there is no other disease responsible for your symptoms. This examination takes only a few minutes.