

**Fluoroscopy- Endoscopic Retrograde
Cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) Biliary**
To Schedule: (319) 861-7778
Questions about Procedure: (319) 398-6050

What is an Endoscopic Retrograde Cholangiopancreatography (ERCP) Biliary Procedure?
ERCP is used to detect stones or disease in the biliary system. ERCP is a highly sophisticated technique to visualize a patient's common bile duct and pancreatic duct systems. This exam is performed in Digestive Health Services (Endoscopy) and will take approximately 1-3 hours.

Preparation:

Contact the Digestive Health Services (Endoscopy Department) for prep information and further details, 319-398-6484.

**PLEASE BRING THE FOLLOWING TO YOUR APPOINTMENT:
A PHOTO ID TO VERIFY YOUR IDENTITY
A LIST OF CURRENT MEDICATIONS YOU ARE TAKING**

Procedure:

A long flexible tube (endoscope) is passed through the mouth and back of the throat into the duodenum (first section of the small intestine). The opening from the bile and pancreatic ducts into the duodenum is identified. A guide wire is then passed through the scope into this opening. The gastroenterologist then inserts the guide wire into either the common bile duct or the pancreatic duct. Contrast is injected and x-ray images are taken to evaluate that duct.

Parking/Registration:

Park in the Mercy Medical Center 8th Street Parking Ramp, located at the corner of 8th Street and 8th Ave. SE. You will be pre-registered, so you can proceed to **2nd Level North Entrance** and follow the signs to "Digestive Health Services (Endoscopy)," also located on the 2nd level.

Procedure Results:

The Gastroenterologist will discuss the test results with you.

Your appointment date and time:

Procedure date: _____

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