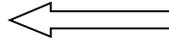


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Esophageal Manometry Test

This test of your esophagus is called an Esophageal Motility or Esophageal Manometry Test.

The procedure will be done in the GI Procedure suite on the 16th floor of the Lavin Family Pavilion, 259 E Erie St. If you have questions please call 312-926-2425 Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. If you need to cancel, please call with at least 72 hours notice.

This test may help to find out why you are having pain or difficulty swallowing. The test measures the strength and coordination of the muscles in your esophagus, and the location and function of the Lower Esophageal Sphincter (LES). This sphincter is the barrier between your esophagus and stomach, which controls the reflux of stomach acids.

During this test a thin, flexible, soft catheter (small tube) is passed through your nose into your stomach, while you are given sips of water to swallow. The catheter is connected to a computer that shows the pressure in your esophagus. **The test takes about 30 minutes to complete.**

Prior to the test, the nurse will ask you questions about what medications you are taking and your medical history. Please complete the patient questionnaire which is attached to this packet and bring it with you to the GI lab on the day of your test. **Please do not have anything to eat or drink 6 hours prior to the test.** If you are on diabetes medication you will need to check with your physician to determine if you should take these the morning of the exam.

The test will take approximately 90 minutes from checking in to the end of the test. The procedure will be explained to you and questions that you have will be answered. Once the test results become available, your doctor will review the results and call to discuss them with you.

