

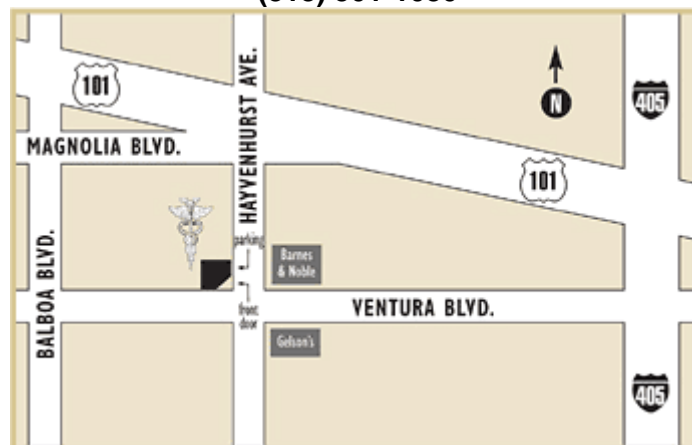
PREOPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

You are scheduled for an interventional pain procedure. On the day of your procedure you will be arriving at Specialty Surgical Center of Encino or a local hospital and admitted to the pre-operative holding area. In the pre-operative area a nurse will check you in, you will change into a gown and an intravenous line will be started. Next, you will meet your anesthesiologist who will provide you with sedation for your procedure. **It is essential that you adhere to the following instructions to prevent potential delay or cancellation of your procedure:**

- 1) **DO NOT** eat anything for 8 hours prior to your procedure. You can drink clear fluids (i.e. apple juice, water, black coffee) up to 6 hours prior to your procedure.
- 2) **STOP** taking blood thinning medications (i.e. Coumadin, Plavix, aspirin) 5 days prior to your scheduled procedure.
- 3) Please arrive at Specialty Surgical Center of Encino one hour prior to your scheduled procedure start time.
- 4) Please bring your insurance card, photo identification, and copies of all MRI/CT reports with you on the day of your procedure.
- 5) All patients must have a ride home.

Directions to Specialty Surgical Center of Encino

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