GI Surgery Cheat Sheet

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NIS Small bowel Removed: ileum and/or jejunum ↓ B12, ↓ fat-soluble vitamins, steatorrhea resection Colectomy (L.I) All or part of the colon; small intestine is usually ↓ Water & electrolyte absorption. ↓ SCFA production. Monitor joined to rectum or stoma formed Na⁺, K⁺, Mg² J Pouch & Procto-Entire colon & rectum (proctocolectomy); ileum is ↓ Water and sodium absorption. Monitor electrolytes & hydration. colectomy formed into a pouch and joined to anus (J-pouch) R. Hemicolectomy Cecum + ascending colon ± part of terminal ileum; If terminal ileum removed: \downarrow B12, bile salt reabsorption \rightarrow fat malabsorption. Monitor B12, fat-soluble vitamins, stool consisjoined to transverse colon tency Extended right Right colon + hepatic flexure + proximal transverse Monitor B12, vitamin D, hydration, stoma output if present hemicolectomy colon ± terminal ileum Transverse Transverse colon; joined ascending to descending Hydration if large portion removed. Minor NIS colectomy colon Minimal NIS. Monitor C/D Left/Sigmoid Descending colon and/or sigmoid colon hemicolectomy Left hemicolectomy No major NIS. Monitor bowel regularity Left colon (splenic flexure to sigmoid) & Sigmoid Colectomy Low Anterior Sigmoid colon + upper rectum; remaining colon Risk of Low Anterior Resection Syndrome: urgency, frequency, Resection rejoined to lower rectum incontinence. Monitor bowel control, hydration & bowel regularity Colorectal anastorejoining of colon or colon to rectum Monitor bowel function, hydration, diet tolerance. soft, low-residue diet initially mosis

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NIS (cont)		
Abdominoperineal Resection	Sigmoid colon, rectum, anus – permanent colostomy formed	Risk of constipation. Monitor Bowel habits, fibre, hydration. Avoid bulky/high- fibre early post-op
Esophagectomy Oesophageal removed. Stomach moved up.	Oesophageal removed. Stomach moved up.	Feeding via jejunum – placed during surgery Eg oesophageal surgery. Concerns: Early satiety, dysphagia, weight loss. Small, frequent meals, text- mod.
Gastrectomy	remove parts of the stomach (can be partial or entire stomach)	Feeding via jejunum – often placed surgery. \downarrow Intrinsic factor $\rightarrow \downarrow$ B12. \downarrow iron, calcium, protein digestion. Avoid fluids with meals
Whipple	Removes head of pancreas, duodenum, gallbladder, part of bile duct, sometimes part of stomach	Can eat orally. Impacts - Blood glucose regulation, fat absorption, delayed gastric emptying, fat-sol deficiencies. ↓ Pancreatic enzymes → steatorrhea, malabsorption. Diabetes risk. PERT. Monitor BGL, fat-sol vits

Nut Absorption



Small Bowel Resection

NIS

Hyperglycaemia Metabolism changes

Catabolism of glucose, free fatty acids and amino acids = Protein catabolism (loss of muscle)

Releases: stress hormones, inflammation meditators

Left hemicolectomy & Sigmoid Colectomy



Colorectal anastomosis

Strategies



R. Hemicolectomy



Left/Sigmoid hemicolectomy



Esophagectomy



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Pre-op ↑ CHO intake. Reduces pre-op thirst, hunger, post-op insulin resistance, losses of nitrogen = maintenance of lean BM

Going into surgery well nourished.

Post-op: Can safely eat orally after. Most start on fluid & build up. Some EN/PN – depends on surgery site. Nutrition concern if not eating orally after 3 days (unless already malnourished).

Consider: planned vs emergency, Stomas? Drains? Further surgery? Treatment plan, cognitive function, fluid status, malnutrition & refeeding risk, site of surgery & potential nutrients/organs impacted, is the gut still functioning?

Colectomy (L.I)



Extended right hemicolectomy





Gastrectomy



Nut Reqs

Major surgeries: NEMO post-op 125-145kJ energy 1.2-1.5g protein Minor surgeries: acute adult re-evaluated1-2/week

Gastric emptying before surgery

Why? Reduce the risk of aspiration during surgery

Most hospitals: NBM ~12 hours before surgery (or midnight) - ease & consistency

Evidence pre-op: clear fluids up to 2 hours. Solids up to 6 hours before

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Time taken for gast	ric emptying
large balanced meals (with fibre)	6-12 hours
light meal and/or milk	3-5 hours
Fluids	Within 2 hours (clear fluids 90% within 1h)

J Pouch & Proctocolectomy



Transverse colectomy



Low Anterior Resection





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Diet Codes

Clear fluids	Maintains hydration. Minimise colonic residue. ONS: Resource fruit, ensure juice.
Free fluids	Contains milk & dairy products. Most ONS. Incl. soup, yoghurt, custard, ice cream
Low residual diet	<15g fibre/day. Used for: divert- iculitis, bowel obstructions, IBD flare
Surgical lite diet	Bland/simple diet. No spices or rich sauce. Low fibre. Often better tolerated for nausea.

Guidelines & References

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