

## General Surgery– Endoscopy of Upper GI Tract (Gastroscopy)

### Introduction

You are awaiting a date for your endoscopy. This procedure will be done under local anaesthetic or sedation. Your procedure will be done as a day case procedure in the Endoscopy Department, so you will not need to stay in hospital overnight.

### Guidance for Patients

Whilst we apologise that you may be waiting for a prolonged period of time. We would not anticipate any significant deterioration in your condition, while you are waiting for your procedure.

If you do experience any deterioration in your symptoms or difficulty swallowing, then we would advise you contact your GP or the NHS 111 Service.

### What should I do if my health is deteriorating?

If your general health worsens you may need to seek advice from your GP. If you feel you no longer need or wish to proceed with your surgery please contact our secretaries who will take you off the waiting list.

### Contact us

Upper GI and Vascular CAO Team on 01246 513134.